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Preface

This book has been compiled and edited by a committee of the American Legion Auxiliary. Time and effort and patience has been spent to try to record the significant events in the life of this community. There is something instinctive in the nature of each individual to cause him to have a deep love for childhood home and community, hence we feel that its history should be preserved in recorded form.

Of early organizations, and families too, there are often incomplete records, or none at all. Therefore, there needs to be cooperation of many in order to weave the threads of information into a complete pattern. Weeks were spent in research, collecting, sorting, writing, and editing this material; which is as complete as has been possible to make it.

In our research we have run across many interesting events and much interesting family history, which has been a temptation to include. However, since this is to be a history of the entire community, and fair to all individual groups and families, we could not write detailed accounts or stories about one and not another. Then, too, the volume would have become too ponderous and too expensive. We have had to confine our editing to essential and brief statistics in order to be able to publish an unbiased and condensed history. We hope to establish that if any person or event has been omitted, it is because no information was obtained. On the other hand, some accounts had to be shortened in order to make our book available and interesting to the general public.

The American Legion Auxiliary wishes to thank James Hafer for the use of the complete bound volumes of The Silver City Times, which supplied much information. We express sincere appreciation and thanks to all organizations and individuals for scrapbooks, pictures, letters, and other materials donated. Thus with a warm sense of gratitude to all who helped make this book possible, we present this record of a community's past and present to its readers.

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A Candid shot of the Committee in one of "those moods" while at work. "Billijack Wobbles", Roy Flanagan's English Bulldog lends his support.

COMMEMORATING SILVER CITY'S

75th ANNIVERSARY

PROGRAM

Thursday, May 27, 1954

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EVENING	CARNIVAL

Friday, May 28, 1954

AFTERNOON	CARNIVAL
EVENING	CARNIVAL

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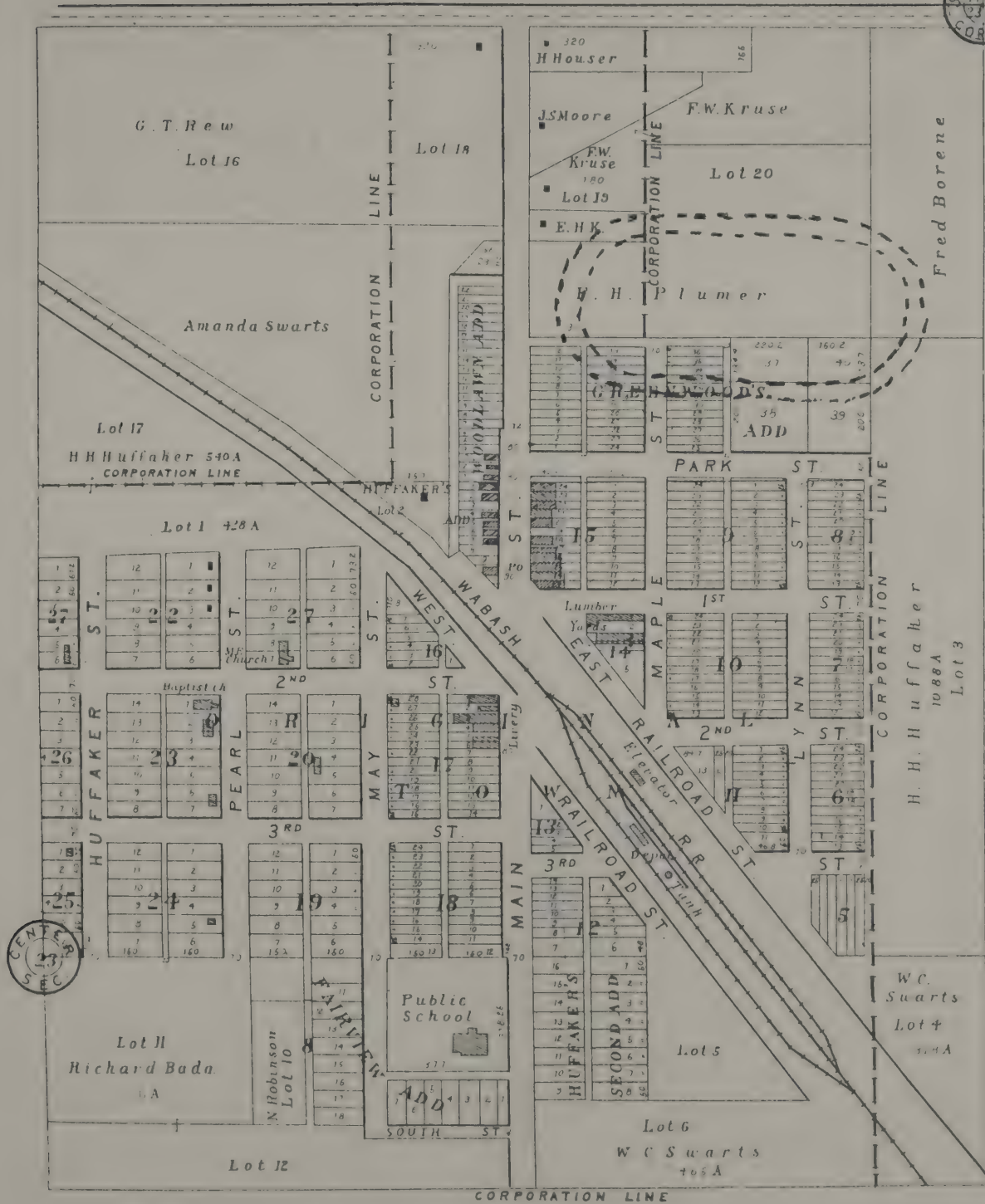
EVENING ALUMNI BANQUET AND DANCE

Sunday, May 30, 1954

THE USUAL MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE

SILVER CITY

INGRAHAM TWP.
MILLS COUNTY, IOWA.



Dotted Lines show the old Race Track location



Air View of Silver City

NO TOWN LIKE OUR TOWN

There are fancier towns than our little old town,
There are towns that are bigger than this;
And the people who live in the tinier town
All the city contentment may miss.
There are things you can see in the wealthier town
That you can't in a town that is small--
And yet, up or down, there is no other town
Like our own little town after all.
It may be the streets through the heart of our town
Aren't long, aren't wide, aren't straight;
But the neighbors you know in our own little town
With a welcome your coming await.

On the glittering streets of the glittering town,
By the palace and pavement wall,
In the midst of the throng, you'll long and you'll long
For your own little town, after all.
It was there on the hill in your own little town
That the school and the book you recall--
Eve'ry step of the way, so your memories say,
It's our own little town, after all.

For it isn't by money you measure a town,
Or the miles that its border extends;
For the best things you gather, whatever the town,
Are contentment, enjoyment and friends.
If you live and you work and you trade in your town,
In spite of the fact it is small,
You'll find that the town, that our little town,
Is the best little town after all.

Early Day Silver City

It is the hope of the committee that the following items, taken from clippings, scrap-books and old publications, will give you, the reader, a pleasing and intimate picture of our little city in its pioneer days.

SILVER CITY

A Thriving Town Beautifully Situated in the Midst of a Rich Farming Region.

Taking advantage of the good roads and pleasant weather, the writer and his better half made a pilgrimage to Silver City on Friday of last week, and spent the day among the good people of that thriving town. It is said that first impressions are most lasting. If this be true, we expect always to entertain the pleasantest recollections of Silver City. Its people, so far as we met them, are extremely cordial and socially inclined and vie with each other in their endeavors to make the stranger's stay in their midst pleasant and agreeable.

The business portion of the City, as our readers generally know, like most western Iowa towns is located on the flat, while the greater part of the residences grace a gradually rising knoll west from the principal business street. In proportion to the number of residences but fewer towns no larger than Silver City can boast so many really pleasant homes, with neatly kept grounds, well set in fruit and ornamental trees and shrubs and with richly painted buildings. The residences of H.H. Huffaker, J.P. Fall, G.G. Greenwood, H.U. Benton, J.A. Frazier, J.R. Allison, G.P. Pullman, and a number of others would do credit to any town in Iowa of 3000 inhabitants, the success of their business men.

The educational advantages of the town seem to be fully abreast of the demands. A large two story frame building furnishes accommodations for the something more than 100 pupils in attendance, while the instructors, Prof. Vincent and Miss Phelps, appear to give entire satisfaction. In looking after the spiritual wants of the people the Methodist and Baptist societies are doing a good work. They each have a comfortable house of worship nicely located, and we understand the various services are well attended.

The foregoing facts were picked up "Before dinner" in a short walk about town under the guidance of our old friend Dr. Christy, to whom we are indebted for many courtesies.

Returning to Mr. and Mrs. Christy's comfortable home we were soon engaged in the very pleasant duty of refreshing the inner man from the bountiful board of nicely prepared delicacies spread for the occasion. Although friend Christy was a little tardy in launching his boat upon the blissful sea of matrimony, he is nevertheless to be heartily congratulated upon the success that crowned his efforts after he once mustered upon courage to weigh anchor and set sail. Dinner over, we sallied forth to "do" the business portion of the City, the Doctor still filling the responsible position of guide.

We first drew rein at the livery and feed stable of S.G. Sidener, where we found good teams and good rigs awaiting the public's order. Here we met Lee Jones, who we were informed is the premier of the establishment. Mr. Jones is thinking of going east during the winter for three or four blooded horses. Continuing we next come to W.G. Moore & Co's., store. In the drug department we find Mr. Moore in with a fine line of goods on display. The grocery department is presided over by George Hawley, whose acquaintance we were pleased to make. In the second story of the building Dr. R.A. Moore, the only physician in regular practice, has his office. We did not meet the Doctor, but understand he has a good practice. Passing on a few paces and we were in the general merchandise store of E.P. Chapman & Co., where we find shelves and tables filled with a very good stock. Dr. Chapman impresses us as a very pleasant, genial gentleman. "Next" is Jim All's barber shop where with brush and razor the male members of the town are "spruced up." Turning west at All's from Main to 2nd Street, we find B.S. Weidner's harness shop where the wants of horsemen are looked after. Then comes Cady & Bosworth's carpenter shop, where good straight workmen do good straight work, which is also true of Jones & Simpson's

blacksmith shop next door. Crossing to the north side of 2nd street we were introduced to M. E. Huffaker's carpenter shop. Mr. Huffaker is a fine workman and does a large share of the work in his line. Returning to Main Street the next place of interest is Mrs. Maddock's nice display of millinery goods, and then comes J. J. Taylor's general stock of merchandise. Mr. Taylor was absent when we called and we did not have the pleasure of making his acquaintance. Just up the street Mrs. Brookhouser runs a popular boarding house. Crossing over to "the other side of the street the Doctor points our L. W. Russell & Co.'s buildings the first occupied with a stock of implements, wagons, etc.; the next a heavy stock of groceries, hardware and stoves, and the third a full and complete line of dry goods, clothing, boots and shoes. The firm carries goods and enjoys an extensive trade. Here we met Mayor Pysing whose dignified mien holds the town in check. He is also an indispensable assistant in Russell & Co.'s store, and during his spare minutes writes "items" for Mills County Journal. In the second story over the hardware store the secret societies of the place have fixed up a very nice lodge room. Accompanied by Mr. W. B. Oaks we (the Doctor and writer) ascended the stairway and were soon surrounded by the mysterious emblems of the Masonic and Old Fellows orders. The room is of good size and while not gorgeous is very tastily and appropriately embellished and surpasses in beauty the meeting places of these orders in many larger towns. At the rear of the room Mr. Oaks swung back a door that appeared to open into a closet and we stood trembling in mortal fear that the cadaverous goat that is reported to inhabit such places would rush out and unceremoniously devour us, but were much relieved when we found it a very convenient passage way into Pullman's Hall. This is a decided convenience for holding banquets in connections with their public entertainments. Pleasant as the surroundings are we cannot prolong our visit here and step out and down. Attracted by the strains of sweet music we knocked and are admitted to the home of Prof. and Mrs. Kuhn, where we are favored with a very nicely rendered piece of piano music by one of the interesting daughters of this family. The Professor is a thoroughly trained musician and a successful teacher of vocal and all kinds of instrumental music and with his wife and large family of girls constitute a remarkable musical company. Next to Prof. Kuhn's is Howard Crawford's Meat Market where the "meativerous" are supplied with steaks, roasts and boils. Passing on we are led in Silver City Bank where Cashier W. B. Oaks has full sway. The stockholders of this institution include a number of the most wealthy and "solid" men of the community.

At the postoffice we found Postmaster Christy with his coat off and sleeves rolled up busily waiting on the many calls for mail. "Call" as everyone calls him, has his office quite conveniently arranged. On one side of the room are the mail boxes while on the opposite side of the room he supplies the wants of the public in the lines of school books, stationery, confections, cigars, tobacco, etc. While there the mails arrived and Mr. Christy and his assistant, Willie Weidner, dropped everything else and turned their attention to "slinging" the letters and papers, which they accomplish in a very few minutes. Back of the postoffice is Huffaker and Christy's real estate and insurance office. This room is also occupied by Squire L. W. Huffaker as a Justice's office; the Mayor, town council, and township officers are found here too, when in official session. The Tremont comes next and under the management of the Houser Brothers is doing well. A restaurant is run in connection with the hotel. Spencer & Rogers blacksmith shop is doing work and lots of it, as they are both splendid workmen.

C. G. Greenwood operates the lumber yard and his stock is equal to the demand. He has a fine trade. The elevators are run by Greenwood & Mains, who also handle coal and McGregor Bros., the latter under the superintendency of Ed. Morse. Large quantities of corn are annually shipped from this station, a great many cattle and hogs are also sent out from here by the several stock buyers and firms. Frazier & Benton, Taylor & Allison, Fall & Spencer, N. C. Swarts, and Geo. Rew, represent the stock dealers. G. A. Beam is the gentlemanly agent at the Wabash with Charlie Rommel in charge of the water tank. Christy & Dalton, we believe are arranging to handle coal. We must not close this review of Silver City and her business interests without mentioning Thomas Virtue, conductor of the dray line, who is always at his post rain or shine, hot or cold. With this we will leave our Silver City friends for the present, but hope to have the pleasure of meeting them again in the not distant future.

Clipping From Christy Scrap Book



EARLY STREET SCENE



WATCHING BASEBALL GAME



EARLY MAIN STREET
LOOKING NORTH



EARLY SCENE LOOKING
S. EAST OVER MAIN ST.

NOTED CHARACTERS

who have in days gone by been interested in the welfare and prosperity of Silver City and her people, and were strong promoters of every existing enterprise. We simply mention these to show the kind feeling our citizens hold toward them. Most all of them are in other states, and we trust doing well. Of course the sketch would not be complete without personal mention of a few:

A. G. Hintz, who is now in Chicago, erected the first hotel in Silver City. R. A. Bateman established the first lumber yard, selling same to C. G. Greenwood, now Greenwood & Son, which has developed into one of the finest yards in southwestern Iowa. Pullman & Hettinger (George Pullman and John N. Hettinger) were early merchants in our town, and probably carried one of the largest stocks. Wm. Moore established the first drug store. Hanson and Co. of Glenwood were among the first merchants, erecting the fourth store building, and under the management of W. B. Oaks, and was later bought and operated by Oaks and Pysing. Smith & Co. managed by Ed. Morse, erected the first elevator, sold to Greenwood & Mains, and is now owned and operated by Mains and Reeve. E. H. Wing and W. C. Swarts were first stock buyers. W. B. Oaks was the first highest bidder and bought the first lot sold at auction in town, where M. J. VanKirk's residence is located. L. W. Russell & Co. were among the earliest business men, this firm, selling to Pullman & Hettinger. Frazier and Benton were in an early day very prominent men in this section, representing a thrifty and energetic live stock firm. Another man who will long be remembered in Silver City is Fred Danielson, now of Emerson Nebr. Mr. Danielson erected the fine hotel now known as the Hotel Maine, and was always a public spirited and progressive man. Prof. Kuhn, who now teaches the Silver City band, was also an early resident being called here to instruct the first band. Mr. Kuhn and family now reside in Council Bluffs. P. M. Campbell was the first O. & S. L. station agent and J. W. Sayles was an early and prominent grain buyer. A. U. Crosby was the first postmaster, and his daughter, Miss Eda, now Mrs. W. B. Oaks, was deputy.

Reference: Silver City Times--Special Trade Edition--May 24, 1900-R. A. Bates-Pub.

A BRIEF WRITE-UP of Silver City by a TWELVE-YEAR-OLD School Girl

Silver City is beautifully situated in the north central part of Mills County, on the west bank of Silver Creek, and on the Omaha and St. Louis R. R.

It was laid out in the fall of 1879 by Mr. Justice, and named by Mrs. H. H. Huffaker. When first started, Silver City had but one street, a post office and two stores. Now there are ten streets and thirty business houses. The population which numbered then about 35, now numbers about 500. Probably there are some here today that remember the site as a vast territory, supposed to be of no value, except as a hunting ground for the untamed red men, or as a grazing ground for a few venturesome cattlemen whose herds served many times as food for the brave Indian warriors. Now on every hand are seen signs of prosperity, new homes being erected, business houses being established and every where are signs of growth and development. The western part of Silver City is situated on a hill sloping toward the creek, and the eastern part is on the bottom. On the hill to the south is the cemetery, in which many of our loved ones are resting.

In the western part of town are the churches. The Baptist is on the corner of Pearl and Second streets; the Methodist is on the right side of Second street.

The public school is one of our advantages. We have about 110 pupils enrolled. One of the strange features of this school is that the parents do not visit it. During the last year but four visited us on schooldays. I think it would be more encouraging to both pupils and teachers if they would call.

In the northwestern part of town is the Driving Park, which contains a half-mile track, that is one of the best in the state. Last year an amphitheatre was built which is capable of seating about 200 people.

Silver City is one of the best horse markets in the state.

In the fall of 91, East Main street, including eleven buildings was burned. But as a Phoenix, Silver City rose again and is to-day, taking into consideration the number of

inhabitants, one of the most prosperous towns in Mills County.

One of the important buildings is the bank, which has a capital of \$50,000 and a surplus of \$13,000. This bank was established in 1883.

The most important drawback to this little town is the number of dogs it has. It might be called the Constantinople of Iowa.

Silver City is located in the famous gruit-growing and blue grass regions of Iowa.

Although Silver City may never become a manufacturing city or a wholesale center, she will always maintain the proud position which she now holds as one of the best market for grain and live stock in southwestern Iowa. It stands in the center of a flourishing country, good, great and grand; a country that has known no failure in crops, no rest in labor.

As the prospects for Silver City are fine, she cannot help but succeed. I am sure we all would like to see her become larger, and to do so, we must wish it success, prosperity and peace.

Pet Nelson

Copied from a clipping in an old scrap-book in the hands of the committee

We were the second family that moved to Silver City before the town was laid out in lots. We kept a restaurant and boarding house. I have many dear friends still living here, several that boarded with me three years, but will just mention a few that were with me that long: Dr. R.A. Moore, George Pullman, C.A. Rommel and Ed Morse. They all called me mother, in fact they were like my children to me and I still look back to those days with great pleasure. The town was in its infancy, all had plenty to do and got along very nicely. There were many more who boarded with me that I remember with love who have moved from there, some to the blessed home above, which is the best home of all if one is prepared, for we all have loved ones up there. I, for one, have loved ones there, four of whom are buried at the Silver City cemetery, two darling daughters (both young ladies), a baby and a husband, so you see great sorrow visited my home as well as a little pleasure. I am thankful that God gave me grace and courage to overcome all for His dear sake, and with His grace and the help of my good boarders and dear Silver City friends, I can say God bless them all as I feel he has blessed me in giving me a kind husband and a home in my old days.

I will close with best wishes to all dear ones at Silver City. Emily Huegal

NOTE: Emily Huegal was formerly Mrs. Brookhouser who had many dear friends in Silver City. She removed to Friend, Nebraska and later married there a Mr. Huegal, who had the means to make her last days easier and seemingly happy.

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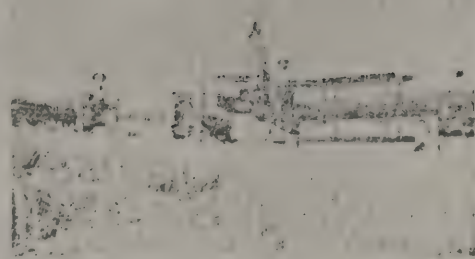


EARLY DAYS
After the fire of 1891

The Old and The New



HORSE-POWER CORN SHELLER
John Prince-Frank Decker



SCHULTZ CASE COMBINE 1935



BOB CHILDS WITH MODERN CORN SHELLER



OLD BINDER AND FOUR HORSE TEAM
CUTTING GRAIN-SHOCKED GRAIN IN
DISTANCE

REV. & MRS.
ORA REEP
NEW FORD



OLD BRASS BAND FORD

THE BIRTH OF A TOWN

In 1879 what is now Silver City was rolling prairie and was being cultivated and utilized as is the surrounding country today. Fields of waving grain, tasseled corn or herds of roving stock were to be seen where today are beautiful homes and business streets. In the fall of that year the first train on the new road, which had just been completed from St. Louis to Council Bluffs, went thru and influences began which so totally changed existing conditions in Ingraham township. Before that time the C.B. & Q. R.R. had gone through Mills county from east to west but markets were a great distance from our people here. The present site of Silver City was a part of the home farm of H.H. Huffaker, who in the same year the railroad was finished secured from the company the location of a station at this point and gave permits to a few of the earliest settlers to put up buildings. Later, when the town was laid out, the lots were arranged so that these buildings were allowed to remain. On of these, which in 1880 became the post office, was occupied by A.U. Crosby, Aside from being the Postmaster he carried a line of general merchandise and lived in the second story. W.G. Moore carried a line of drugs and Nathan Brookhouser's building was used for a boarding house. These were pioneer business men and together with H.H. Huffaker, deserve great praise for their efforts in behalf of the community and encouragement given to induce people to build permanent homes. Our little settlement was now established and while our advancement has been slow, it has been steady and sure. The town was incorporated in 1883 and Geo. Swarts was elected Mayor. Among the men prominent in business enterprise in the early history of Silver City we might mention a few who had an influence in improving the place and enlarging its interests. Mr. Bateman established the first lumber yard and only one we have ever had, selling out to C.G. Greenwood, who still owns large interests in the business known as Greenwood Lumber Company.

John Hansen put up a building and started a general store with W.B. Oaks as manager, Mr. Oaks took an active part in business here as long as he lived being interested in the establishment of both the banks which we have at present.

L.W. Russel in an early day embarked in the mercantile business where the Frank Pullman store now is and later sold out to Pullman & Hettinger.

J.H. Taylor put up a store building on West Main Street and for a number of years carried on a general store.

A brother of C.G. Greenwood was our first grain dealer and employed L.W. Huffaker as buyer, L.W. Huffaker continued in the real estate and Insurance business here for many years, being Justice of the Peace for thirty-six years. Smith & Co., erected the first elevator and Ed Morse was manager. Frazier & Benton, live stock firm were prominent in those days.

Among the first residences, some of which are still standing were those of Mr. Bateman, Mr. Lambert, H.H. Huffaker, A.U. Crosby, W.B. Oaks and L.W. Huffaker.

We have had three disastrous fires in the past, causing heavy losses, any one of which might have proven discouraging. The first occurred in 1882 when all but two buildings on East Main Street were consumed. Again in 1891 the same side was entirely wiped out and heavy losses were sustained only a part of which was covered by insurance. The last was in 1894 when this time, West Main Street, was swept by fire. All the buildings save two were burned. Each time property owners rebuilt better buildings than had been destroyed and today Main Street is lined on both sides with substantial brick structures and business sections are steadily progressing. Our little community today has between 400 and 500 population and is a credit to our citizens. Our people are intelligent and progressive and take justifiable pride in making the place as beautiful and attractive as possible. It is said we have about four miles of cement sidewalk. No other kind of walk is permitted. The Electric Light Company has just finished lighting our streets and many people have already availed themselves of the opportunity of lighting their homes. There are an abundance of shade trees over town so many in fact that a bird's eye view of our little city from any of the surrounding hills, makes it appear more like a natural park. A visitor entering for the first time will be impressed first of all with the evidences of prosperity and progress. How often do we hear them remark, "how many nice residences and well kept lawns there are all over town." Our streets are straight, and well kept and well lighted. Our residence streets in summer with their walks and trees along both sides make delightful avenues of shade where one may view the

beautiful lawns and residences and appreciate the care taken to make homes pleasant and attractive.

On every hand is the integrity and industry of our people manifested. Not only is this true in outward appearances but is shown as well in the spirit promulgating public works and enterprises. The demand is for the greatest number not only in national but home affairs. The people are hospitable and sociability is promoted among all. Our schools and churches are well provided for and exert each in their way, a lasting influence on the young as well as all people.

There is considerable musical ability here. We have a good band and orchestra under the management of G.A. Spelbring. The commercial club looks after the general welfare of the town and is ever on the alert to take advantage of opportunities to promote the interests of the public.

We have many inducements to offer those seeking a permanent home. In no place of its size can greater advantages be offered as a residence town. The locality is all that could be desired, being in the midst of a rich agricultural district. Southwestern Iowa is conceded to be one of the most productive sections of country in the world. We are surrounded by thousands of acres of land containing great wealth, producing quantities and the homes of farmers in our immediate vicinity are conspicuous as evidences of prosperity and abundance. Large fields of grain and orchards teeming with fruit are on every hand. Stock farms where large herds of cattle and hogs and sheep are raised and hundreds of cars of stock are shipped from this point yearly. These things add to the business of a place and accordingly increase its importance.

Our business people are courteous and obliging and ever seek the good of those whom they serve.

We have two banking institutions each with a capital of \$25,000. Both are prosperous and enjoying a good business.

The Silver City State Bank was incorporated in 1883 and has continued in business ever since. C.G. Greenwood has held the presidency ever since its establishment. W.B. Oaks was cashier for a great many years. At present M. Kehoe is cashier and James Pullman assistant.

The Farmers State Bank was organized in 1909 and has built up a good business. F.H. Plumber has occupied the place of president. W.B. Oaks was instrumental in establishing this institution and was first cashier, living only a few months after its opening. C. H. Patterson is the present cashier.

There are two Rural Mail Carriers, Gale Moore and Henry Rommel. Each covers a distance of about twenty-five miles daily.

A visit to our business places today will find all enjoying a good trade and flourishing.

In the line of general merchandise we have three general stores where dry goods, groceries and other lines of goods are kept in stock. All three merchants are wide awake men and serve their customers in a satisfactory manner.

Frank Pullman's store is the oldest concern and he purchased this stock of Pierson & Co., a number of years ago.

J. J. Maurath is next in line and handles a large assortment of goods.

C. A. Moore started in business about three years ago and has built up a good trade.

The Eagle Drug Store is owned by J. E. Danielson. This store would be a credit to a larger place. In equipment and goods carried it is better than the average drug store in small places. Mr. Danielson carries drugs, paints, wall paper, etc. and runs a soda fountain in summer.

In the lumber business one of the Greenwood yards is located here and is managed by G.A. Spelbring.

We have a good furniture store owned by Frank Anderson. Besides this line Frank also carries a line of implements and hardware.

There are two implement dealers, Frank Shaffer and Pullman Bros., besides implements Frank Shaffer carries a complete line of hardware. Shaffer bought out the Frank Pullman Store last year.

C. W. Sawyers, our jeweler, is an experienced workman and carries a good line of jewelry.

In the meat business we have but one dealer. H. C. Kochenderfer, our butcher, is a hustler and supplies the demand in his line satisfactorily.

We have an automobile garage owned by C. H. Patterson and managed by John Peterson. These men have the agency for the Cutting and Overland cars.

Ed Derby is owner of our harness shop and also does repairing in his line of work.

We have a good millinery shop. Miss Clara Plumb supplies the ladies with hats and is always courteous and has built up a good business.

The town supports two restaurants both of which carry bakery goods, canned goods, candy, soda, fountain drinks, ice cream, etc. G. L. Waltrip owns the one on East Main Street and S. L. Finchem holds forth on south side of track.

Blacksmithing is done by G. W. Bays, Coons & Shane and J. Hopkinson. Shoe repairing is done by Fritz Konkle.

We have good livery service. J. C. Jackson, our Undertaker, also handles the livery business.

Mains & Kruse are our grain dealers and they also ably supply the community with coal.

Jackson & Flanagan, live stock dealers do a great deal of shipping from this point.

There are several men engaged in the real estate and insurance business. H. Dressler and A. P. Reeve make this a business.

We have but one hotel, The Cottage, run by Lewis Hettinger.

In the medical profession we have three practicing physicians who cover a wide territory. Dr. R. A. Moore came here in the early history of the town. Dr. J. G. McCue has been here a number of years. Dr. S. A. Huber located here last fall. Dr. Hiatt comes to Silver City Monday and Tuesday of each week to do the dental work in this vicinity.

We have but one newspaper but it makes up in quality for the lack of numbers. E. A. Stevens the enterprising editor ably manages to supply the columns of the paper and look after the welfare of the town.

T. F. Plumb our worthy Postmaster has held his present position for over fourteen years. His work has always been commendable and he is always ready to accomodate the public. He also has a line of confections and stationery for sale. Miss Pearl Burrows is the assistant.

We have a number of contractors and builders, M. E. Huffaker, J. B. Heide and F. R. Pettit. These men are kept busy the year round, at their trade. John Tucker, John Rook and W. H. Burrows do the mason work in this community.

R. Clipson, our painter and decorator is kept hustling to keep the work up.

Our town officers are: M. E. Huffaker, Mayor; Ed VanKirk, Treasurer; Wm. Burrows, Assessor; A. F. Markert, Street Comm.; John Tucker, Marshal.

Councilmen, J. G. Flanagan, C. A. Moore, J. J. Maurath, T. F. Plumb and H. C. Kochenderfer.

The Silver City Pool Hall, conducted by C. A. Rommel, is an orderly place and enjoys a lively business. Arthur Meryhew is the owner of the barber shop, where his customers are always given good work and courteous treatment.

Special edition of the Times-edited by the members of the Silver City Cemetery Association. Thursday, May 2, 1912

REMINISCENSES OF EARLY DAYS

It is true I am an old resident of your locality, and the man that built the third house in Silver City. The Omaha and St. Louis railroad was being built, and having a team, hauled ties from the old Frohardt estate, in the Plumer settlement, to about two miles south of Malvern; afterwards put in cattle-guards on fence lines crossings the track; on November 22, 1878, an auction for the sale of lots was held in the new depot I believe, and I bought one with my hard earned cash on the railroad, also lumber from Mr. Bate-man, who sold out to C. G. Greenwood. There was only H. H. Huffaker's farm house and Mr. Crosby's building so I arranged a stable under the bridge crossing the little creek north of town and by permission from MR. H. H. Huffaker used his little colt shed on the north bank for my first residence.

My hotel was opened New Years Day 1879. The sound of the hammers and the buzz of the saw went on-building a town on the main thoroughfare. Opposition came and Fred Gerterberg and myself had to move our houses along side the store of S. W. Russell & Co., J. N. Hettinger being the manager of that store. Here I made the acquaintance of Mr. Hettinger on the night of October 9, 1879.

A. G. Hintz, an old resident of Silver City, Iowa

Public School Buildings



The first public school building was built in the fall of 1880. It was a wooden structure located across the street north of the Baptist Church. Lumber for its construction was hauled from Glenwood. The school enrollment grew until it exceeded the capacity of the building. After its abandonment as a school, it was used for several years as a granary before being torn down.



The second public school building, which stands upon the highest point in the town, was built about 1896. The structure is built of brick with a frontage of 66 ft. and a depth of 38 ft. containing five rooms. Its seating capacity will accommodate about 200 pupils. This number of pupils placed in a grade school requires the attendance of four teachers.

REFERENCE: Page 6, History of Silver City by C.E. Huffaker, published in 1905.



In 1911 the first addition was made to the building. It was the west wing which contains the primary room down stairs and the science and typing rooms up stairs. The second addition was built 1926. The first floor was designed as a home economics room and for several years was used for that purpose. Now it is the school lunch room. Upstairs is the high school assembly.

The gymnasium was built in 1939 as a public works project. It is 80 ft. long and 60 ft. wide with a seating capacity of 500 for sports events.



NUMBER OF FACULTY MEMBERS AND GRADES TAUGHT

The first school consisted of 8 grades with 2 teachers. Later the grades were increased to 10 but no extra teachers were employed. When the enrollment exceeded the space in the frame school building, the upper grade classes were held in the Opera House until the brick building was completed.

The eleventh grade was added in 1901. The class that should have graduated that year was graduated the following year. In 1906 the twelfth grade was added.

The faculty in the new building in 1906 consisted of 4 teachers: Primary teacher taught first, second and third grades; Intermediate teacher taught fourth, fifth and sixth grade; Grammar room teacher taught seventh and eighth grades; and high school teacher taught ninth and tenth grades.

In 1907 with the beginning of twelfth grade, 2 teachers were employed in high school. A three teacher high school faculty was elected in 1915. In 1952 a rearrangement was made. Kindergarten was added. The eighth grade was placed with the high school and a four-teacher faculty was chosen to instruct this group.



This is a group at a school picnic May 1888. They planted a tree for each President. Some of the people are: Ida Huffaker McCue, Viva Huffaker Landon, Reno Moore, Ode Spencer Little, Nellie Cady Reimers, Messrs. Jack Coburn, Frank Hargitt, Mains, G.A. Spelbring, Shank Moore, the Swarts boys and Clarence Virtue.

COMMENCEMENT

The first commencement of the Silver City public schools was held in the opera hall Thursday evening, May 25, 1893. The teachers, Mr. C. L. Anderson and Miss Guyer, and the members of the graduating class had worked faithfully for the success of the entertainment and the result was most gratifying. Miss Viva Huffaker was first on the program with an oration, "The Washington of the Present" rendered in a credible manner. F. G. Swarts was next with an essay on "Success" which indicated that he knew his subject. Next came Miss Nellie Foster, a recitation, "The Building of the Ship" rendered in an easy and interesting manner. An oration on "The Language of the Human Race", by Miss Clar Allison came next, a very interesting preparation. Miss Ada Greenwood with an essay on "The Voyage of Life" made an excellent showing. As a speaker Miss May McKeen has quite a local reputation and her recitation "The Convict's Christmas Eve" did her credit as usual. The last of the class was J. L. Conger with an oration on "a Comparison of English and American Literature." This showed much work and research had been necessary to prepare.

After a short address to the class by C. L. Anderson, the exercises closed with music by the quartet. Instrumental music was furnished by F. A. Guyer, Mrs. G. Pullman and Mrs. C. B. Wilson.

REFERENCE: clipping from Silver City Review, 6-1-1893 in scrap book belonging to Mrs. R. A. Flanagan and prepared by her grandmother Mrs. E. F. Landon.

W. S. HAMMONS

At the commencement of 1938, W. S. Hammons was honored for his thirty-eight years service as school custodian.

He was escorted to the platform where he was awarded a diploma recognizing his long term of faithful service and loyalty to school and students. The Certificate of Merit noted the fact that Mr. Hammons was never absent nor tardy.

He had seen three generations of children come and go as students and was ever faithful in his position in the "March of Education".

When school started the following September, Mr. Hammons was made master of bell ringing ceremonies on the first day of school.



AGNES SAMUELSON, a former teacher for several yrs. in the early 1900's, held the office of State Supt. of Education for a number of yrs; and, was later Pres. of the N. E. A. and also served as Sec'y. of the N. E. A. for a number of yrs. She is now retired, living in Des Moines and writing a text for grade pupils.

SCHOOL BOARD OF THE SILVER CITY SCHOOLS

As there were three big fires in the early years of our town, the list of school board members cannot be complete for those early years. However we do not know that the following early residents were members of the school board at one time or another:

M.E. Huffaker, J.R. Allison, W.G. Moore, George Swarts, J.C. Christy, George Pullman, C.G. Greenwood, W.B. Oaks, M.M. Pysing, Webster Mains, D.C. Jackson, H.U. Benton, Chas. Mears, B.S. Weidner, George Leith, M.O. Hanks, J.N. Hettinger.

In the Silver City Review dated 2-27-1896, we find the statement for the Independent School District of Silver City and signed by J.N. Hettinger, Pres. and L.W. Huffaker, Secretary.

H.H. Huffaker was treasurer from 1878 when the district and school was being planned until 1900, a period of 22 years. James Burgoin was elected treasurer in 1915 and served until his death in 1951, a period of 36 years. Faye Dietchler was appointed to fill his unexpired term and is still (1954) the treasurer.

L.W. Huffaker was secretary from 1878 to about 1910, a period of 33 years. A.P. Reeve was secretary for about 20 years, and on the board for many years.

G.A. Spelbring served as president for 12 years and as a member of the board for 16 years. R.P. Galt was president for 10 years.

Beginning with the publication of the Silver City Times in 1897, we have a more or less complete list of School Board Members as follows:

1897 to 1900

C.P. Hale, Pres., John Pullman, J.S. Moore, E.C. Hepler, A.P. Reeve.

1901 to 1907

R.A. Moore, Chas. Kruse, E.H. VanKirk, Frank Pullman, A.P. Reeve.

1908-09

C.H. Kruse, A.P. Reeve, E.H. VanKirk, Frank Pullman.

1909-10

Henry Dresler, Pres., C.H. Kruse, A.P. Reeve, E.H. VanKirk, Frank Pullman.

1911-12

Henry Dresler, Pres., G.A. Spelbring, W.H. Burrows, E.H. VanKirk, Frank

Pullman.

1912-15

G.A. Spelbring, Pres., C.A. Moore, Wm. Burrows, E.H. VanKirk, Frank Pullman.

1915-16

G.A. Spelbring, Pres., W.H. Burrows, Wm. Burgoin, Elton Lawson, A.P. Reeve.

1916-17

G.A. Spelbring, Pres., A.P. Reeve, R.W. Clipson, W.H. Burrows, Wm. Burgoin.

1917-18

G.A. Spelbring, Pres., C.A. Moore, R.W. Clipson, A.P. Reeve, Wm. Burgoin.

1918-19

G.A. Spelbring, Pres., C.A. Moore, Elton Lawson, R.W. Clipson, Wm. Burgoin.

1919-20-21

Wm. Burgoin, Pres., G.A. Spelbring, C.A. Moore, Elton Lawson, R.W. Clipson.

1921-22

Wm. Burgoin, Pres., C.A. Moore, C.W. Sawyer, G.A. Spelbring, R.W. Clipson.

1922-23

Wm. Burgoin, Pres., C.W. Sawyer, C.W. Sawyer, R.W. Clipson, C.A. Moore,

G.A. Spelbring

1923-24

C.W. Sawyer, Pres., R.W. Clipson, G.A. Spelbring, J.B. Dovenspike, Wm. Burgoin

1924-25

Wm. Burgoin, Pres., R.W. Clipson, C.W. Sawyer, George Bada, G.A. Spelbring,

J.B. Dovenspike.

1925-26

R.W. Clipson, Pres., George Bada, C.W. Sawyer, J.B. Dovenspike, F.W. Anderson

1926-27

G.A. Spelbring, Pres., C.W. Sawyer, J.B. Dovenspike, George Bada, F.W.

Anderson.

1927-28

G.A. Spelbring, Pres., C.W. Sawyer, R.P. Galt, J.B. Dovenspike, F.W. Anderson.

1928-29
G.A. Spelbring, Pres., C.W. Sawyer, F.W. Anderson, R.P. Galt, J.B. Dovenspike.
1929-30
G.A. Spelbring, Pres., C.W. Sawyer, F.W. Anderson, J.B. Dovenspike, R.P. Galt.
1930-31
R.P. Galt, Pres., C.W. Sawyer, F.W. Anderson, J.B. Dovenspike, G.A. Spelbring.
1931-32
G.A. Spelbring, Pres., C.W. Sawyer, F.W. Anderson, J.B. Dovenspike, J.H. Kruse.
1932-33
G.A. Spelbring, Pres., C.W. Sawyer, C.A. Maddocks, F.W. Anderson, J.H. Kruse.
1933-34
C.W. Sawyer, Pres., F.W. Anderson, R.P. Galt, C.A. Maddocks, J.H. Kruse.
1934-35
C.W. Sawyer, Pres., F.W. Anderson, George Carlson, J.H. Kruse, R.P. Galt.
1935-36
C.W. Sawyer, Pres., George Carlson, J.H. Kruse, J.B. Dovenspike, R.P. Galt.
1936-37
G.A. Spelbring, Pres., George Carlson, J.B. Dovenspike, J.H. Kruse, _____ Collins.
1937-38
G.A. Spelbring, Pres., George Carlson, J.H. Kruse, A.J. Rommel, J.B. Dovenspike.
1938-39
G.A. Spelbring, Pres., A.J. Rommel, J.H. Kruse, Ray Chapman, George Carlson.
1939-40
George Carlson, Pres., J.B. Dovenspike, Leona Gater, J.H. Kruse, A.J. Rommel.
1940-41
J.H. Kruse, George Carlson, J.B. Dovenspike, K.S. McMahan, A.J. Rommel.
1941-42
J.B. Dovenspike, Pres., J.H. Kruse, R.P. Galt, Dr. James Marr, K.S. McMahan.
1942-43
J.B. Dovenspike, Pres., K.S. McMahan, J.H. Kruse, R.P. Galt, James Marr.
1943-44
J.B. Dovenspike, Pres., K.S. McMahan, J.H. Kruse, R.P. Galt, James Marr.
1944-45
J.B. Dovenspike, Pres., K.S. McMahan, J.H. Kruse, R.P. Galt, James Marr.
1945-46
J.B. Dovenspike, Pres., K.S. McMahan, R.P. Galt, Clifford Stewart.
1946-47
R.P. Galt, Clifford Stewart, J.H. Kruse, K.S. McMahan, Boucher, replaced by A.P.
Jones
1947-48
R.P. Galt, Pres., J.H. Kruse, A.P. Jones, Clifford Stewart, K.S. McMahan.
1948-49
R.P. Galt, Pres., J.H. Kruse, A.P. Jones, Clifford Stewart, K.S. McMahan.
1949-50
R.P. Galt, Pres., Loran Boyer, J.H. Kruse, A.P. Jones, K.S. McMahan.
1950-51
R.P. Galt, Pres., A.P. Jones, Loran Boyer, K.S. McMahan, H.G. Adams.
1951-52
R.P. Galt, Pres., A.P. Jones, H.G. Adams, K.S. McMahan, Loran Boyer.
1952-53
Loran Boyer, Pres., H.G. Adams, A.P. Jones, K.S. McMahan, Marvin Pullman.
1953-54
Loran Boyer, Pres., H.G. Adams, K.S. McMahan, A.P. Jones, Marvin Pullman.

SCHOOL BOARD 1953-54

LEFT TO RIGHT:

A.P. Jones, Loren Boyer, President,
Etta Anderson (Mrs. F.W.) Secretary,
H.G. Adams, K.S. McMahan, Supt.
Monfross.



SUPERINTENDENTS OF SILVER CITY SCHOOL

1880-83--- Mr. Hanna
 1883-84--- John Higgins
 1884-85--- Annie M. Jordan
 1885-86--- George G. Cozier
 1886-87--- C. Vincent
 1887-88--- Aben B. Allen
 1888-89--- Lewis Ellison
 1889-93--- C. L. Anderson
 1893-99--- W. H. Pitzer
 1999-1902- W. L. Embree
 1902-03--- Mr. Reed
 1903-05--- J. R. Graham
 1905-07--- C. W. Woodrum
 1907-09--- J. N. Cunningham
 1909-11--- W. C. Porter
 1911-13--- Miss Mae Miller, res. Rev. Barbour,
 Baptist minister replaced.
 1913-14--- H. L. Hickok
 1914-15--- B. O. Spillman
 1915-17--- W. D. Slaughter
 1917-18--- Paul Young, enlisted-Sahlstrom
 1918-19--- Miss Lois Halley
 1919-20--- Paul Gardner
 1920-21--- L. M. Henry
 1921-23--- Emmitt Hasty
 1923-24--- Glen Lytelle
 1924-27--- Paul G. Adams
 1927-29--- Rahy Paul
 1929-30--- Carl Bose
 1930-32--- H. F. Cromer
 1932-37--- C. D. Mitchell
 1937-38--- Ino Smid
 1938-41--- Lynn Sanderson
 1941-44--- C. K. Porter
 1944-45--- Willis Fogle
 1945-46--- H. R. Gittens
 1946-50--- C. K. Porter
 1950-53--- Galand McGinness
 1953-54--- J. W. Monfross

Home town girl who taught here; Grace Greenwood, Iola Edmundson, Mary Harrison, Ida and Emma Huffaker, Katie Goos, Maude Plumber, Mae Allison, Nellie Borene, Edith, Ethel and Fern Skerritt, Willa Pullman, Sadie and Alice Reeve, Margaret Lawson, Bertha and Anna Plumb, Susie Wright, Vivian and Mary Clipson, Fern and Genevieve Spelbring, Ethel Frances and Phyllis, Dora and Marjorie Burgoin, Florence Tucker, Lucy Merry, Beatrice VanKirk.

PARENT-TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

The first P. T. A. was organized 10-6-1927
 Supt. Rahy Paul acted as temporary char. Mrs. J. G. McCue, Mrs. F. W. Anderson, and Supt. Paul were the committee which drew up a constitution and By Laws. Mr. Paul talked on the value of the organization and music was furnished by the high school orchestra. The first regular meetings consisted of talks by resource visitors, room programs and music.

An immunization program was sponsored.
 Presidents were:

1927----- Mark Swarts
 1928----- Adolph Schultz
 1929----- Mrs. F. W. Anderson
 1930-31-- R. P. Galt
 1932-34-- Mrs. Will O. Coburn
 1934----- Mrs. Ira Hayes
 1935-37-- Dr. C. O. Johnson

The P. T. A. was reorganized 9-1950. This group has been very active in promoting school improvement. Committees can and prepare food to supplement the school hot lunch, funds have been appropriated for the upkeep of athletic suits. An immunization program has been sponsored, and a film-strip projector has been purchased. Presidents have been:

1950--Mrs. B. J. Phillips
 1951--Mrs. K. S. McMahan
 1952--Mrs. Conrad Kruse
 1953--Mrs. Chester Nixon

SILVER CITY HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI

In 4-1903 the first Alumni was organized with Ada Greenwood, Pres., Etta VanKirk, Sec'y. Executive Comm. Mark Swarts, Ida Huffaker, Anna Plumb, and Nellie Coburn. The first meeting was held at the E. H. VanKirk home with a short program. A talk by J. D. Reed on "Why We Organize". A reading by Anna Plumb, Music by Etta Anderson and Gussie Mass. Ice cream and cake were served by Mae Alexander, Mae & Mabel Swarts and Hazel Moore. Officers elected were: Pres. Mark Swarts, Sec'y. Beulah Christy, Treas. Anna Plumb. They had a meeting the next year but we find no other mention of them. In 1921 the present Alumni was organized with one or two exceptions, they have had either a banquet or a picnic ever since.

Presidents:

1921----- Grover Goos
 1922----- Stella Pullman
 1923-25-- C. A. Maddocks
 1926-27-- Gladys Speer Burgoin
 1928-29-- Phyllis Burgoin Skerritt
 1930----- Mae Swarts Hill
 1931----- Clifford Moore
 1932----- Clyde Schoening
 1933----- Vinson Goos
 1934-41-- Clifford Moore
 1942-44-- Mark Swarts
 1945-46-- Fern Skerritt Burgoin
 1947-48-- Eva Kiersch Speck
 1949----- Shirley Hendrix
 1950----- Marvin Goos
 1951----- Harold Skerritt
 1952----- Wilbur Bond
 1953----- Bonnie Kruse
 1954----- Allene Jones Ord

ALUMNI OF SILVER CITY HIGH SCHOOL

(*deceased)

1891		Maude Flanagan*	
Ida Huffaker McCue*		Roy Flanagan	Silver City, Ia.
1892		Harry Leith*	
Nellie Christy Cox	Thermopolis, Wyo.	Anna Bada Long	LaCrescenta, Calif.
1893		Gail Moore	Los Angeles, Calif.
Ada Greenwood Conger*		Katie Goos Moore	Los Angeles, Calif.
Leonard Conger	Galesburg, Ill.	Pearl Bosworth Ridner	Rockwell, Ill.
Viva Huffaker Landon*		1906	
Nellie Foster Kretchmer-Council Bluffs, Ia.		No Class	
Mae McKeen Manter*		1907	
Clara Allison Metzler	Kans.	Barbara Agan	Chicago, Ill.
Frank Swarts	Bartlesville, Okla.	Maude Plumer Burgoin	Silver City, Ia.
Elizabeth Schroder Howard*		Mae Swarts McMahan Hill	Silver City, Ia.
Nona Lacock Hostetter	Denver, Colo.	Della Hammon Long*	
Gene Barker	N. Mex.	Clark Reeve*	
1894-1895-1896		Mabel Swarts Thomas	San Diego, Calif.
No Classes		1908	
1897		Harry Hettinger	Idaho Falls, Calif.
Gussie Mass Brown Carter	Omaha, Nebr.	Carl Huffaker*	
Charley Hargitt	Seattle, Wash.	Veda Moore	Council Bluffs, Ia.
Sanford Kerney*		Frances Lewis	Omaha, Nebr.
Ed Swarts*		1909	
Mark Swarts*		Blanche Soliday Decker	Emerson, Ia.
1898-1899		Ruth Reeve Captain	Salt Lake City, Utah
Maude Spencer Peterson	Mason City, Ia.	1910	
Tom Pullman	Omaha, Nebr.	Alice Plumb Bryant	Bryan, Texas
Nellie Coburn Sawyer	Seattle, Wash.	Hazel Dresler Good*	
Albert W. Bada	Eugene, Ore.	Will Kruse	Pasadena, Calif
Emma Huffaker Moore	Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada	1911	
George H. Bada	San Francisco, Calif.	Fred Kruse	Mineola, Ia.
Addie Hargitt Tisdale-San Francisco, Calif.		Harry Plumb*	
Guy D. Hanks*		Leona Hostetter Whitney*	
Mary Wright Swarts*		1912	
Earle M. Hale	Eau Claire, Wis.	Cecil Rains Coffman*	
Stella Pettit Pullman*		Hugh Conrey	
1901		Horace Dresler	Minn.
No Class		Grover Goos	Silver City, Ia.
1902		Ray Maddocks	Aptos, Calif.
Etta VanKirk Anderson	Silver City, Ia.	Irene Heide Noffsinger	Chula Vista, Calif.
George Harrison*		Wava Pullman*	
Ethel Joseph Margret	Spokane, Wash.	Clara Kockerderfer Saar	Silver City, Ia.
Verla Derby Powell*		Iva Rook Sumptor	
Guy Richards	Denver, Colo.	Lena Bada Wilkins	Silver City, Ia
Anna Plumb Towers	Phoenix, Ariz	1913	
1903		Frances Plumer Bunton	Caldwell, Ia.
Beulah Christy*		Grace Kehoe Goos	Silver City, Ia.
Josie Hargitt Buckingham*		Faye Bryant Keller*	
Georgia VanKirk Hettinger	Silver City, Ia.	Chris Kruse	Glenwood, Ia.
Roy Raines	Warnar, Alberta, Canada	James Mosley	Sidney, Ia.
1904		Paul Reeve	Portland, Ore.
Clara Bada	Glenwood, Ia.	Paul Spelbring	Eau Claire, Wis.
Allie Bosworth Richards	Denver, Colo.	Claude Shawler Scheel*	
Ed Hettinger	Idaho Falls, Ia.	1914	
John Jackson	Crete, Nebr.	Lena Willard Burgoin	Omaha, Nebr.
Russel Jackson	Omaha, Nebr.	Hugh Clipson	Lenox, Ia.
James Swarts	San Diego, Calif.	Anna VanKirk Pidgeon	Des Moines, Ia.
Sadie Reeves Swarts*		1915	
1905		Carlyle Clipson	Silver City, Ia.
Mae Alexander Badham	Omaha, Nebr.	Bryan Dresler*	
Frank Bosworth	Modale, Ia.	Ed Kruse	Glenwood, Ia.
		Helen Lynch*	
		Hallie May	Lincoln, Nebr.

George Rew Jr.	Glenwood, Ia.	Wilma Schultz	Malvern, Ia.
Beatrice VanKirk Vaughn	Lincoln, Nebr.	Azell Anderson Hanna	Falls Church, Va.
1916		1924	
Macile Moore Benford	Shenandoah, Ia.	Donald Goos	Silver City, Ia.
Paul Bryant		Harland Hendrix	Council Bluffs, Ia.
Ethel Ringer Howard	Farragut, Ia.	Mildred Sell Kruse	Silver City, Ia.
Horace Kehoe	Gladbrook, Ia.	Melvin Lawson	Ashippum, Wis.
Eva Keirsch Speck	Glenwood, Ia.	Madge Dunagan Madderman	Los Angeles, Calif.
Clarence Maddocks	Mason City, Ia.	Donald Schultz	Macedonia, Ia.
Laura McReynolds*		1925	
Nettie McClure Patterson	Portland, Ore.	Wauneta Dovenspike Gater	Coin, Ia.
Alice Reeve	Rockville Center, N.Y.	Edith King	Omaha, Nebr.
1917		John Mass	Silver City, Ia.
Fern Skeritt Burgoin	Silver City, Ia.	Georgia Pullman Rath	Council Bluffs, Ia.
Ida Landon Flanagan	Silver City, Ia.	Kenneth Sawyer	Des Moines, Wash.
Arthur Rommel	Council Bluffs, Ia.	1926	
Grace Lynch Smith	Council Bluffs, Ia.	Wanda Carr Aukland	Macedonia, Ia.
Viva Dunagan Stout	Los Angeles, Calif.	Lavora Talboy Ray	Creston, Ia.
Lisle Plumer Williams	Council Bluffs, Ia.	Eva Spelbring Day	New York, N.Y.
Glenn Skeritt*		Virgil Frazier	Omaha, Nebr.
1918		Sheldon Hendrix	Denison, Ia.
Rew Burgoin	Silver City, Ia.	Shirley Hendrix	Silver City, Ia.
George Dresler	Calif.	Thurl Keese	Seattle, Wash.
Grace Stout Markwell	Hamburg, Ia.	Willard Kockenderfer	Omaha, Nebr.
1919		Harold Miller	Temple City, Calif.
Wayve Shawler Angel		Clifford Moore	Silver City, Ia.
Helen Dresler Arnold	Calif.	Helen Haines Palmer	Long Beach, Calif.
Novella Hettinger Bester	Omaha, Nebr.	Margaret Pullman	Council Bluffs, Ia.
Glen Bryant*		Willa Pullman	Silver City, Ia.
Alice Burgoin	Ithaca, N.Y.	Florence Miller Schaffer	ElMonte, Calif.
Vivian Clipson Coffey	Sharpsburg, Ia.	Eleanor Galt Frazier Schultz	Macedonia, Ia.
Ralph Lawson	Macedonia, Ia.	Marvin Pullman	Silver City, Ia.
Lloyd Markel	Glenwood, Ia.	1927	
Jeanette Moore Maynes	Council Bluffs, Ia.	Dora Whitehead Alley	Glenwood, Ia.
Mae Whitehead	Weldon, Ia.	Eurel Anderson	Silver City, Ia.
1920		Clifford Clay	Redding, Calif.
Glady's Burgoin Carlson*		Marjorie Miller Estrade	ElMonte, Calif.
Helen Walker Hunt*		Marjorie Mass Evans	Hasting, Ia.
Joe Kruse	Silver City, Ia.	Dora Burgoin Goos	Silver City, Ia.
Dale Speer	Canoga Park, Calif.	Barbara Tucker KoKrada	Omaha, Nebr.
Margaret Spelbring Stout	Sheridan, Wyo.	Naomi McMahan LaVier	Council Bluffs, Ia.
Victor Stranathan	Pocatella, Id.	Donald Pullman	Anaheim, Calif.
1921		1928	
Kenneth Lawson	Lincoln, Nebr.	Wilbert Bond	Malvern, Ia.
Clyde Schoening	Silver City, Ia.	Ardath Long	Fullerton, Calif.
Gayle Skerritt	Summit, N.Y.	Kenneth McMahan	Silver City, Ia.
Clarence Virtue	Freano, Calif.	Arlene Schultz	Malvern, Ia.
1922		1929	
Gladys Speer Burgoin	Conoga Park, Calif.	Albert Batten	Glenwood, Ia.
Adah Howser Cross	Indianapolis, Ind.	Creda Long Witt	LaCrescenta, Calif.
Genevieve Spelbring Donegan	Omaha, Nebr.	LaRue Long Brooks	Newton, Ia.
Alzo Anderson Filley*		Marjorie Burgoin Raynor	Des Moines, Ia.
Raymond Kruse	Glenwood, Ia.	Frank Clay	Lincoln, Nebr.
Phyllis Burgoin Skerritt	Malvern, Ia.	Vinson Goos	Silver City, Ia.
Ethyl Burgoin Tyson	Denver, Colo.	Isabelle Bond Hansen	Malvern, Ia.
1923		Hulda Bierman Kaufman	Sioux Falls, S.D.
Eldon Dovenspike Burgoin	Silver City, Ia.	Genevieve Sell Kruse	Silver City, Ia.
Bernice Clipson	Glenwood, Ia.	Lola Howser Kruse	Glenwood, Ia.
Marjorie Bada Hopp	Glenwood, Ia.	Muriel Swarts Menzel	Janesville, Ia.
Georgia Derby Jones	Detroit, Mich.	Darrel Merk	Griswold, Ia.
Frances Burgoin Lehman	Carroll, Ia.	Katherine Swanberg Norai	Omaha, Nebr.
Ona McNay	Silver City, Ia.	Fred Peterson	Sterling, Va.
Elizabeth Pullman Schoening	Silver City, Ia.	Dorothy Ellerbeck Raines	Council Bluffs
		Leonard Whitehead*	

1930

Grace McNay Silver City, Ia.
 Roscoe Anderson Los Angeles, Calif.
 Mercedes Merk Clark Carson, Ia.
 Harold Galt Leesburg, Fla.
 Iona Anderson Greunan Council Bluffs, Ia.
 Reginald Hendrix Carson, Ia.
 Burgess Johnson Oakland, Calif.
 Elizabeth Beirman McMahan-Silver City, Ia.
 Helen Parman Pepinier Shannon City, Ia.
 Bonnie Stranathan Riggins Columbus, Nebr.

1931

Harold Adams Henderson, Ia.
 Kenneth Frazier
 Elsie Beirman Gain Omaha, Nebr.
 Dorothy Anderson Gilmore Glenwood, Ia.
 Effa Maynes Halvin Red Oak, Ia.
 James Henderson Malvern, Ia.
 Avis Hammer Hatcher Pacific Junction, Ia.
 Della Maynes Mass Silver City, Ia.
 Ruth Pettit Miller Fort Collins, Colo.

1932

Neil Clay Redding, Calif.
 Mae Decker Hall Macedonia, Ia.
 Nellie Clay Hummel Glenwood, Ia.
 Edna Whitehead Lohrenz-Bear Creek, Mich.
 Corwyn Parker El Segundo, Calif.
 Celia Childs Pullman Silver City, Ia.
 Maymie McMahan Rusch Council Bluffs, Ia.
 John Swarts Silver City, Ia.
 Clair Whitehead Linch, Wyo.

1933

Stuart Anderson Ajai, Calif.
 Irene Parman Childs Silver City, Ia.
 Donald Hays Carlsbad, N. Mex
 Lillian Talboy Hedstrom Boise, Id.
 Edward Jirovsky Glenwood, Ia.
 Willie Merk Council Bluffs, Ia.
 Geneva Anderson Myers Vancouver, Wash.
 Eldon Schultz Silver City, Ia.
 Bernice Horton Sell Kirkland, Wash.

1934

Richard Bada San Diego, Calif.
 Doris Hettinger-Bassitt Omaha, Nebr.
 Clarence Bolte Silver City, Ia.
 Max Clay Van Nyes, Calif.
 Gretchen Sewing Eyre Omaha, Nebr.
 Annie Whitehead Files Murray, Ia.
 Harriet Pullman Hendrix Silver City, Ia.
 Russell Riggins Moberly, Mo.
 Max Sawyer Seattle, Wash.
 Mary Henderson Terry Malvern, Ia.

1935

Blanche Jirovsky Alpin Omaha, Nebr.
 Powell Anderson Washington, D. C.
 Dorothy Clipson Machaeceh Los Angeles, Calif.

Joe Conger*
 Walter Fender Silver City, Ia.
 Bernice Parman Files Council Bluffs, Ia.
 Marjorie Rickabaugh Kahl Silver City, Ia.
 Byron Schoening Silver City, Ia.
 Harrison Sell Silver City, Ia.

1936

Marj Jane Deitchler Monahan-Raymond, Wash.
 Jean Burgoin Goos Silver City, Ia.
 Duane Hays Santa Ana, Calif.

Geraldine Hendrix Gant

Traverse City, Mich.
 Bedah Ann Stille Huff Emerson, Ia.
 Eva Long Johnson Silver City, Ia.
 Robert Moore Los Angeles, Calif.
 Marie Hafer Schoening Silver City, Ia.
 Sarah Jane Hill Stortenbecker " " "

1937

Edith Alexander Clark Henderson, Ia.
 Helen Clipson Los Angeles, Calif.
 Gretchen Hill Hodges Elsinore, Calif.
 Billie Keesee Seattle, Wash.
 Otha Mass Malvern, Ia.

1938

Nellie Godfrey Burgoin Silver City, Ia.
 Ray Fender Shoshoni, Wyo.
 Martin Jenkel Falls Church, Va.
 Kenneth Johnson Silver City, Ia.
 Illa Fae Stille Sieck Dunlap, Ia.
 Janice Hays Stortenbecker Council Bluffs, Ia.

Fern Pickenpauh Wetter-Paradise, Calif.

1939

Lois Anderson Brunskill
 Los Angeles, Calif.
 James Clipson Los Angeles, Calif.
 Bonnie Custer Bolte Silver City, Ia.
 Marvin Goos Silver City, Ia.
 James Hafer Omaha, Nebr.
 Clarence Hall New York, N. Y.
 Ellen Ord Harper Glenwood, Ia.
 Anna Childs McCoy Silver City, Ia.
 Earl Maddocks Jr. Glenwood, Ia.
 Wilma Pollitt Klotz Alaska
 Ralph Stewart Silver City, Ia.

1940

Marion Chapman Glenwood, Ia.
 Betty Conger Cullom, Ill.
 Fern Gater Bonomi Des Moines, Ia.
 Max Goodman Omaha, Nebr.
 Albert Jenkel Silver City, Ia.
 Grace Hafer Philips Council Bluffs, Ia.
 Henry Stortenbecker Council Bluffs, Ia.
 Maxine Deitchler Techau Glenwood, Ia.

1941

Betty Henderson Burgoin Silver City, Ia.
 Margaret Riggins Burgoin Silver City, Ia.
 Richard Clipson Glenwood, Ia.
 Nancy Conger Mates Streator, Ill.
 Ella Mae Ord Harper Glenwood, Ia.
 Willard Jones Mineola, Ia.
 Dean Maddocks Glenwood, Ia.
 Betty Smith Ord Silver City, Ia.
 Grantaline Rafferty Smith Silver City, Ia.
 Forest Smith San Diego, Calif.
 Octavia Mabbitt Keefer Pekin, Ill.

1942

Jack Burgoin Silver City, Ia.
 Kenneth Deitchler Bremerton, Wash.
 Marian Carlson Fitzwater-Shenandoah, Ia.
 Geraldine Rommel Goos Silver City, Ia.
 Thomas Hays Los Angeles, Calif.
 Lee Messenger Malvern, Ia.
 Harvey Robertson Pacific Junction, Ia.
 Margaret Mass Stewart Silver City, Ia.
 Naomi Frazier Norman Norfolk, Va.

1943		1949	
Rogene Chapman Johnson	Glenwood, Ia.	Bonnie Kruse	Omaha, Nebr.
Evelyn Fender Madison	Council Bluffs, Ia.	Catherine Skerritt Hunt	Silver City, Ia.
Lucille Flammant*		Gerald Mills	Silver City, Ia.
Mabel Marr Kelly	Council Bluffs, Ia.	LeRoy Jones	San Diego, Calif.
Carol Schoening Neilson	Council Bluffs, Ia.	Emma Kirlin Bolton	Whiting, Ia.
Catherine Miller Peterson	Council Bluffs, Ia.	Betty Ann Techau Lay	England
Delbert Rafferty	Glenwood, Ia.	Marilyn Boles Shatz	Hollywood, Calif.
Pearle Stille Young	Colo.	Norman Messinger	Silver City, Ia.
Claude Robertson	Pacific Junction, Ia.	Lois Decker Severance	Silver City, Ia.
1944		Sheldon Williams	Silver City, Ia.
LeRoy Anderson	Lincoln, Nebr.	Robert Rafferty	Silver City, Ia.
Kenneth Carlson	Silver City, Ia.	Robert Schoening	Silver City, Ia.
Mary Clipson	Silver City, Ia.	Dean Lawrence	Omaha, Nebr.
Donna Decker Hatcher	Glenwood, Ia.	1950	
James Marr Jr.	Carson, Ia.	Donna Rae Plumber Schoening	
Donald Mills	Silver City, Ia.		Silver City, Ia.
Elaine Miller Sells	Silver City, Ia.	Ellsworth Jones Jr.	Mineola, Ia.
1945		Gerald Jones	Silver City, Ia.
Loran Boyer Jr	Silver City, Ia.	Donald Hansen	Malvern, Ia.
Jeanne Hays Leet		James Boyer	Silver City, Ia.
Margaret Horn Wheeler	Malvern, Ia.	Lindall Hays	Silver City, Ia.
Floyd Messenger	Silver City, Ia.	Delores Adkins	Nebraska City, Nebr.
Kathleen Rew Leet	Omaha, Nebr.	Charlene Bryant Kirlin	Silver City, Ia.
Charles Smith	Odell, Nebr.	Ida Kirlin Alberry	Gretna, Nebr.
1946		Burl Jones	Mineola, Ia.
Jean Jones Conner	Council Bluffs, Ia.	1951	
Alene McCoy Decker	Silver City, Ia.	Ruth Ann Fornoff	Minneapolis, Minn.
Lee Deitchler	Novato, Calif.	Florence Hafer	Council Bluffs, Ia.
Catherine Goos	Silver City, Ia.	Lenora Techau	Council Bluffs, Ia.
Wayne Johnson	Odessa, Tex.	John Clipson	Los Angeles, Calif.
Robert E. Kruse	Silver City, Ia.	Harold Mills	Silver City, Ia.
Carol Clay Love	Council Bluffs, Ia.	Clifford Boyer	Silver City, Ia.
Edward Mass*		Elwood Plumer	Mineola, Ia.
Max Mills	Silver City, Ia.	Robert Bond	Malvern, Ia.
Harvey Ord	Silver City, Ia.	Jay Jones	Silver City, Ia.
Florence Rafferty Scheibel	England	James Ord	Silver City, Ia.
June Roenfeld	Red Oak, Ia.	1952	
Harold Skerritt	Malvern, Ia.	Jean Bailey	Silver City, Ia.
Duane Stewart*		Wava Stewart	Omaha, Nebr.
1947		Janet Schroeder	Silver City, Ia.
Betty Boyer	Long Beach, Calif.	Donald McMahan	Silver City, Ia.
Dixie Skinner Deitchler	San Francisco, Calif.	Bernard Bryant	Silver City, Ia.
Sophie Prien Jensen	Red Oak, Ia.	LaVerne Schoening	Silver City, Ia.
Carole Jones Lane	Council Bluffs, Ia.	1953	
Ilene Williams Spetman	Malvern, Ia.	Edward Sanders	Silver City, Ia.
James Kruse	Wichita, Kan.	William Hansen	Malvern, Ia.
Marvin Atteberry	Silver City, Ia.	Elsie Adair	Hannibal, Mo.
Lawrence Smith	Plattsmouth, Nebr.	Leah Moore	Council Bluffs, Ia.
Phillis McCoy Bandt	Silver City, Ia.	1954	
Jean Decker Mullins	Glenwood, Ia.	Gene Williams	Silver City, Ia.
Alene Jones Ord	Silver City, Ia.	Lois Ord	Silver City, Ia.
Patty Burgoin Hunt	Silver City, Ia.	LaVora Deitchler	Mineola, Ia.
Rose Marie Willaims Volkens	Carson, Ia.	Karen Childs	Silver City, Ia.
Carroll Kirlin	Silver City, Ia.	Alta Stroud	Silver City, Ia.
Ruth Adams Zanker	Tabor, Ia.	Betty Menschel	Silver City, Ia.
1948		Arthur Fender	Silver City, Ia.
Donna Lee Mott Schnoor	Silver City, Ia.	Richard Springer	Silver City, Ia.
Bob Henderson	Silver City, Ia.		
Donald Dailey			
JoAnn Adams Jones	San Diego, Calif.		
Frances Clipson*			
Marilouise Sanders Brewer	S. Dak.		
Carita Kruse Frank	Omaha, Nebr.		



SILVER CITY SCHOOL BUSES



FRONT ROW: Dale Anderson, Erna Heide, Anna Plumb, teacher, Viva Dunagan, Ada Swarts.
 SECOND ROW: Raymond Farrington, Edna Anderson, Lafe Rusing, Neva Mosley, Art Rommel.
 BACK ROW: Fern Spelbring, Paul Bryant, Verva Heide.



THE MAYPOLE DANCE: Ida Huffaker, Teacher



FRONT ROW: Clara Kochenderfer, Irene Heide, Agnes Samuelson, John Cunningham, Lena Bada.

SECOND ROW: Cecil Rains, Beryl Pettit, Grover Goos, Al Hettinger, Ralph Hargitt, Iva Rook, Mildred VanKirk, Dale Hammon, Mabel Howser.



PRIMARY ROOM 1910

FRONT ROW: Ward Pullman, , Max Bryant, Edgar Derby,

SECOND ROW: Gayle Meeks, Cecil Bada, , Clarence Virtue,
 , Georgia Derby.

THIRD ROW: Standing: Howser, Joe Kruse, , Lloyd Pettit,
 Vivian Clipson, Glenn Bryant,
 Kneeling:

Margaret Spelbring, Martha Hunsinger, Gladys Burgoin, Iva
 Howser, Jeanette Moore, Alice Burgoin, Helen Dresler.
 FOURTH ROW: Glenn McClure, Allen McCoy, Brice Mabbitt, Novella Hettinger,
 Dale Anderson, George Mosely, Cliva Pullman,

FIFTH ROW: Emma Huffaker, teacher; , Alfred Deitchler,
 George Burgoin, Albert Wilkins,



SILVER CITY MERCHANTS BASEBALL TEAM 1909-10

LEFT TO RIGHT:

Fred Kruse, Grover Goos, Roy Robinson, Walter Derby, George Moore, Otis Hopkinson, Clyde Braden, Edgar Waltrip, Bill Hammon.

BAT BOY:

Clyde Rynerson, Jr.



A LATER SILVER CITY MERCHANTS TEAM

FRONT ROW: Don Pettit, Joe Kruse, Lloyd Markel, Dale Speer.

BACK ROW: Dale McClure, Lloyd Pettit, Mick Clancey, Clive Pullman, Glen Bryant, Art Rommel.



SILVER CITY HIGH SCHOOL TEAM WON MILLS
COUNTY BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP 1950
SILVER CITY, IOWA

FRONT ROW: Donald Hansen, Donald McMahan, Berl Jones, Harold Mills, James Ord.
BACK ROW: Clifford Boyer, Bernard Bryant, Elsworth Jones, John Clipson, Gerald Jones.



THE SILVER CITY BOOSTERS

A town team, playing in 1913 to about 1918, was a fine team hard to beat and known all over southwestern Iowa and in Omaha.

Jack Clipson, Bill Kruse, Charles Stogdill, Gail Burgoin, Roy Robinson, Grover Goos, Harry Stout, Ward Burgoin, referee.



FIRST GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM

This was a town team as the school did not allow the girls to play. They played boys rules and were coached by the school Supt. The team was composed of Frances Lewis, Mae and Mabel Swarts, Barbara Agan, Myrtle Anderson and Sadie Reeve. Maude Flanagan, Katie Goos, Maude Plumer and Georgia VanKirk were substitutes.

FRONT ROW: Georgia VanKirk, Frances Lewis, Mae Swarts.

SECOND ROW: Barbara Agan, Katie Goos, Myrtle Anderson, Maude Plumer,

BACK ROW: Maude Flanagan, Sadie Reeve, Mabel Swarts.

GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM S.C.H.S. 1953-54

FRONT ROW: Helen Knickman, Margaruite Burgoin, Mariann Pullman, Alta Stroud, Gwendolyn Childs.

SECOND ROW: Lois Ord, Esther Stroud, Dolores McMahan, Joan Adair.

BACK ROW: Betty Lou Pullman, Valerie Sanders, Karen Childs.





PRAIRIE CREEK SCHOOL 1903-04

BACK ROW: Charles Coiner, Theodore Peterson, Joel Bibby, Teacher, Miss Mae McKeen.
 SECOND ROW: Jessie Bibby, Clinton Tucker, Bessie Tucker, Effa Tucker, Arch Coiner, Nellie Hill.
 FRONT ROW: Lottie Jones, Charles Jones, Delbert Bibby, Edna Weller, Nellie Tucker, Walter Coiner.



EXCELSIOR - built 1876



PLEASANT HILL - built 1893



OSBORN VALLEY - built 1872
 Replaced by new building 1922

RURAL SCHOOLS OF INGRAHAM CENTER

Ingraham Township in the early days was divided into three school districts two by six miles running east and west. The schoolhouses were located near Silver City. One of these was on the east side of Silver Creek almost due east of town. L.W. Huffaker taught there several years.

In 1870 at an election held in March the township was divided into nine sub-districts two miles square consisting of four sections of land.

The schools were: 1. Pleasant Hill, 2. Prairie Valley (better known as Frog Pond), 3. Osborn Valley, 4. Prairie Creek, 5. Ingraham Center, 6. Silver City School, 7. Mount Vernon, 8. Silver Creek, 9. Excelsior.

In the fall of 1872 while Grant was busy running for president, four of these rural schools were built; Osborn Valley, Prairie Creek, Prairie Valley and Ingraham Center.

These schoolhouses were built by George Wrenwick of Glenwood and painted by William Clipson. Like most rural schools of that time, they were of the "boxcar" type. The buildings were 20x28. The dimension lumber used was white pine.

In March 1875, Ingraham Township adopted the Independent District Plan. Each district had its board of directors one of whom was president, a secretary and treasurer.

The first of the "box-car" schoolhouses to be replaced was Pleasant Hill. The new schoolhouse was built in 1893 by M.E. Huffaker at a cost of \$585. The old Prairie Creek building was destroyed by fire in 1916. Ingraham Center was destroyed by a tornado in 1922.

Between 1915 and 1925 new buildings were erected at Osborn Valley, Prairie Valley, Prairie Creek, Ingraham Center and Silver Creek.

All rural schools in Ingraham Township had been closed before 1953. Pleasant Hill, Prairie Creek and Excelsior were last to close.

Only Excelsior remains as the original box-car type building.

It hearkens in mute testimony to the days of the singing school, spelling match, debating society, rural Sunday School and "The feet that creeping slow to school went storming out to playing." --Whittier.

1936927



THE SECOND PRAIRIE CREEK BUILDING
ERECTED IN 1921



FIRST SILVER CITY METHODIST CHURCH
built 1883



PRESENT SILVER CITY METHODIST CHURCH



EAST LIBERTY METHODIST CHURCH



BAPTIST CHURCH SILVER CITY
built 1886

SILVER CITY CHURCH HISTORY

True to American pioneer tradition the settlers of Silver City early sought a place to worship. True to the traditional desire for each to worship as he pleased, they were of varying denominations. Some worshipped in homes, some on the street, and some in school houses.

The Silver City Baptist church was organized February 10, 1876 by the following persons, who presented letters from other churches--G. W. Sidener, Harriet Sidener, Sidney Sidener, Mrs. Sidney Sidener, C. D. Hawley, Rachel Smawley, M. A. Duprey, Silas Morse, Betsy Morse, Rufus Bevier, Alice B. Bevier, Julia Skanks, M. A. Chambers, Mrs. H. A. Hanley, and Phoebe Simpson. For four and a half years, the church worship was held in the Allison School house, which was across Silver Creek just at the east edge of the present town site. During that time the ministers were J. W. Roe, E. C. Cady, S. C. Sole, O. T. Conger and L. W. Adkins.

In May 1880, the members decided to erect a church building, which cost \$1400.00. It was dedicated November 7, 1880, free of debt. On the dedication day, \$150. was subscribed for the building of a tower, which was later built at a cost of \$300. In December 1880, Rev. F. M. Coffey of Griggsville, Ill. became pastor, the first minister ordained in the new church. Successors in the pastorate have been Rev. E. G. Trask, father of Mrs. C. G. Greenwood, Rev. J. T. Leeke, M. H. Perry, A. Amburn, S. Parsons, Joseph Wells, J. A. Meehan, G. Yule, G. A. Campbell, Owens, G. W. Cooper, G. A. Barker, E. L. Fields, Barbour, T. J. Reese, A. J. Gumm, H. O. King, Wells, and Scott. For the past few years the pulpit has been filled by student pastors.

In 1885 an aid society was organized. In 1887 the society was reorganized under the name, Baptist Ladies Kensington. This society, still very active today, does much toward the upkeep of the church. Among charter members were Mrs. George Harrison, Mrs. Silas Morse, Mrs. C. G. Greenwood, Mrs. Webster Mains and Mrs. Harriett Sidener.

At one time the Baptist Sunday School was one of the strongest, according to membership, in the association. Much of the success for the Sunday School was due to the untiring efforts of Mrs. Etta Anderson, who was its superintendent for 30 years.

An earlier church than the Baptist was the East Liberty Methodist Church which dates to 1857, when a Protestant Missionary Society was organized by Rev. Wm. Tipton, brother of Mrs. Andrew Jackson. Here, too, services were held in a schoolhouse. In February 1874, the erection of a church began. It was completed and dedicated February 1875, by Rev. E. S. Brown. The first pastor was Rev. G. W. Robinson. Trustees were Wm. G. Wiatt, Enoch Witt, and George Foster. Finally regular services were no longer held. Ministers from various Malvern churches supplied the pulpit on Sunday afternoons until 1904.

On September 10, 1904, a new society was organized known as the Methodist Episcopal Church of Malvern circuit, Council Bluffs district, Des Moines Conference.

Rev. W. H. Cable of the Malvern Methodist Church was assisted in the reorganization by Rev. A. E. Griffith, district superintendent. Now there were 16 charter members, and services were held regularly every Sunday afternoon by Rev. Cable. Trustees were Sherman Jones, S. R. Hurst, and Elmer Stone.

In 1905 the society was changed to the Silver City circuit under Rev. R. R. Moser. From then on the Silver City pastors have served the church, holding services either in the afternoon, or at 10:00 in the morning. By 1914, the church membership was 90.

In June of that year a new addition had been built, and was dedicated. Although its purpose was for social functions, it was so built that doors could be opened to make it a part of the main room.

It had a live and energetic Epworth League and Ladies Aid. At the present time there is an active Women's Soceity of Christian Service.

Around 1880 Daniel Cavanaugh built a home with rooms designed for the worship of those of Catholic faith in the community. This house, now is on the farm of R. A. Flanagan, northeast of Silver City. Here Mr. Cavanaugh lived and maintained a place of worship. In the living room is an indentation where the priest set up the altar. Adjoining is a bedroom, which was kept in readiness for the priest, and was used by no one else. Off the dining room is a long narrow room, which was the confessional. Members of this church included families of Wm. Flynn, Wm. Looby, his sister and her husband named O'Brien, and Patrick McDermott. One of the McDermott daughters became a nun, being eventually Mother Superior at Mercy Hospital in Council Bluffs. A son became a priest; another son was Arthur, who was the father of George McDermott.

In 1890 Israel Huffaker, "one in the lineage of Levi, and a bishop in the church of Latter Day Saints", came to Silver City. Here he built a home in which he held meetings during his lifetime. After his death his son, Henry Harrison Huffaker, an elder, held meetings in his home on Sunday afternoons. Other members included M. E. Huffaker, wife and children, L. W. Huffaker and children, Herbert Huffaker, Jake Heide, an elder and missionary, his wife and children, Cy Walling, Mrs. Hattie Anderson and children, Mrs. Hoover and children, and Mrs. L. Spake and Edith. Mr. Harrison Huffaker, both morally and financially, gave support to other churches in the community.

"In July 1874 under the direction of M. Pysing a two week series of meetings of the Universalist Church were held. The creed of the Universal Church was Large Hope, and divine faith of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man. Its teaching was the final triumph of good over evil in every soul." Members were, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Pysing, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Conger, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. McNay, and Joseph Hand.

The Silver City Methodist Church was organized in 1881 by Rev. I. M. O'Flying of the Hillsdale circuit, making this the 5th group of his circuit. The first 3 meetings were held in the street. Then the Baptist Church was offered to them for worship, and the members accepted, worshipping there until the Methodist Church was built in 1882. It was to have been dedicated on November 12, but due to unfavorable weather and the fact that their list of contributors had been lost in a big fire, the dedication was postponed until January 7, 1883.

This was a happy day for the congregation. The Wabash Cannonball was stopped both going to and from Council Bluffs to accomodate those who wished to attend. The presiding elder, Rev. P. F. Bresee, assisted by the pastor, W. L. Edmonds and pastors of adjoining charters held the dedication service. The architect and builder was Phil M. Spencer. The lot had been bought for \$100. and in 1888, lots were bought for \$700. for the parsonage.

The following is on file at Glenwood: "Articles of incorporation of First Methodist Episcopal Church in Silver City, Mills County, dated October 12, 1881 filed for record in recorder's office February 15, 1882 at 2 o'clock and recorded in Book No. 1 of Incorporation, page 122. M. H. Byens, Recorder. Signed: O. W. Chapman, H. H. Huffaker, A. U. Crosby, G. N. Mandigo, Robert Plumb, John Parker." Among earliest members of the church were Mr. and Mrs. John Parker, Ben Weidner, G. N. Mandigo, Ben Martin, Adam Markel, Robert Plumb, J. C. Christy, Mrs. Mary Sidener, Jim and John Frazier, J. P. Fall and Mrs. W. G. Moore.

On October 10, 1886, a Sunday school was organized with Mrs. Belle Weidner, superintendent. It has continued active through the years. Glen Robertson is superintendent

at the present time. At an early date an Epworth League was organized, later becoming Methodist Youth Fellowship. Marguerite Burgoin is its president now.

In the history and growth of every church is found the activities of a group of ladies who willingly give of their time, efforts, and spirit. From the beginning of the Silver City Methodist Church such a group of women have held an important place.

The ladies aid was organized in 1886 with Mrs. Belle Weidener as president, an office she held for eight years. Loyal workers with her were Mesdames A.P. Reeves, Joe Fall, Mandigo, Wm. Swarts, J.S. Moore, Mary Sidener, Frohart, and Martha Taylor.

The records of those serving as president of the organization are incomplete, but among them we find Mrs. Kate Houser who joined the Society in 1898. Others were Mesdames Clotilda Lawson, Hugh Clipson, Cleva Brooks, Dora Goos, Fern Burgoin, Myrta Maddocks, Fern Rew, Phyllis Skerritt, Mary Skerritt and Veda Myers.

With the reorganization of the Methodist Church in 1940, the Ladies Aid became a charter group of the new Woman's Society of Christian Service. One feature of the new W.S.C.S. is a "Ladies Aid Tradition", the annual chicken pie supper and bazaar which is held each November, of which the proceeds are contributed to the church budget by the women. The purpose of the Society is to unite all women of the church in Christian service, to help develop Christian work around the world, to develop spiritual life, and to take part in activities that will strengthen the local church.

At the time of the church reorganization in 1940, the missionary work was made a part of W.S.C.S. Previously there had been a Woman's Foreign Missionary Society which was organized in 1907. The first officers of which were, President, Mrs. A.P. Reeve, First vice-president, Mrs. T.F. Plumb, Second vice-President, Mrs. F.J. Borene, Third vice-president, Mrs. Peter Jacobs, Treasurer, Mrs. G.N. Agan, Corresponding Secretary, Mae Swarts, and Recording Secretary, Clara Plumb. The purpose of the society was a study of missions, and financial aid to schools and churches in various countries. The members contributed through mite boxes and thank offerings.

The church celebrated its 25th anniversary from June 14, 1908 during the pastorate of Rev. Peter Jacobs. The morning sermon was delivered by Rev. O'Flying, the first minister. It was a wonderful day to all present. After a basket dinner, afternoon services were led by Rev. A.W. Armstrong. During evening services both related their experiences as circuit riders. In 1910, the last year of Peter Jacobs' ministry, the church was remodeled.

The membership so continued to grow that there became the realization that a new church was needed. In cooperation with Rev. R.V. Felt, Epworth League started the fund for the new church. They put on two Chautauquas which were very successful. Later a building committee was appointed, and pledges were obtained so that by October 1928 a new church had been erected and paid for. On October 28, 1928 during the pastorate of Rev. O.R. Jones, the new church was dedicated. The morning services began when 160 members of the Sunday school marched from the old church to the new singing a hymn. The morning service was conducted by Bishop F.D. Leete of Omaha. In the afternoon a large congregation gathered for the dedication service led by Rev. M.A. Cable, district superintendent, assisted by a number of other ministers. The evening services were led by Rev. Grant Parker. Services were held by various church groups several evenings during the week.

The building committee was R.P. Galt, Wm. Burgoin, and J.G. Flanagan. Trustees: Rew Burgoin, Elton Lawson, J.G. Flanagan, A.B. Judson, R.P. Galt, A.P. Reeve, J.T. Skerritt, and Claude Brooks. Stewards: Harry Maddocks, R.P. Galt, Ralph Skerritt, J.C. Flanagan, Glen Skerritt, George Rew, Jr., George Bada, Adolph Schultz, J.T. Skerritt, John Wright, Hugh Clipson, C.A. Maddocks, and Russell Myers.

On October 25, 1931, the church celebrated its 50th anniversary in combination with their annual Harvest Home Sunday. The morning sermon was delivered by Rev. H.G.

Parker, whose parents were charter members. At the afternoon service Mrs. Jane Skerritt read a historical sketch of the church. Rev. Peter Jacobs was the only former pastor present. Only 24 were present who had attended the 25th anniversary, and 3 were present who had attended the first sermon on the street. These were Mrs. J.G. McCue, A.P. Reeve, and Mrs. Dora Clipson. Two young people left this church for active religious service. H. Grant Parker succeeded Mr. Ben Martin, who was the first class leader of the church. He continued to be class leader until 1908 when he left Silver City. In October 1907 he had been licensed to preach, and has continued in the ministry throughout the years. Georgia Derby left Silver City for Des Moines to train as a deaconess. She went to Detroit to serve actively until her marriage. One wedding was performed in the old church on New Year's eve. Two ministers died while serving this church, Rev. E.B. Scroggins in 1919, and Rev. George Hall in 1941.

Thirty-six ministers have served this church:

1881-82 - I. M. O'Fling	1907-10 - Peter Jacobs
1882-83 - W. L. Edmunds	1910-12 - A. J. Conrey
1883-84 - Daniel Pruitt	1912-15 - W. H. Doyle
1884-86 - A. W. Armstrong	1915-16 - C. H. Calkins
1886-87 - J. H. Newland	1916-18 - R. B. Van Dyke
1887-88 - G. W. Roderick	1918-19 - E. B. Scroggins
1888-89 - S. L. Culmer	1919-20 - Alex Bryans
1889-90 - M. R. Harned	1920-22 - E. L. Spiller
1890-91 - L. Jean	1922-24 - E. J. Laird
1891-92 - E. M. Hoff	1924-27 - R. V. Felt
1892-93 - E. M. H. Fleming	1927-30 - O. R. Jones
1893-94 - M. M. Cable	1930-34 - F. G. Barnes
1894-96 - Carl Brown	1934-37 - H. P. Young
1896-97 - James Sims	1937-41 - George W. Hall
1897-98 - M. A. Mills	1941-43 - I. R. Magers
1898-99 - C. D. Fawcett	1943-48 - John C. Turner
1899-1904 - J. W. Wright	1948-52 - Roy F. Sturgell
1904-07 - R. R. Moser	1952 - Ora L. Reep

In earliest times the ministers were circuit riders, who held services in schoolhouses and log cabins scattered around. Up until 1904, this was still the practice. Schoolhouses in the Methodist circuit were Briggs Schoolhouse, Wesley Chapel, Osborne Valley School, and Prairie Valley, as well as Silver City and East Liberty. These were in the Hillsdale, Malvern, or Hastings circuit as times and circumstances changed.

A number of revival meetings have been held in the community thru the years. One was held at the Methodist Church by Mrs. Libby M. Allen of Des Moines in December 1887. In the summer of 1889 a union tabernacle meeting was held.

Probably most newsworthy was union service held in opera house February 24 to March 9, 1897, conducted by Billy Sunday. In November 1908 the 73rd annual conference of Council Bluffs District was held in Silver City. It was attended by 35 ministers and a large number of laymen. All of the people of Silver City cooperated to make this event successful.



REV. H. GRANT PARKER

BRIEF HISTORY OF MY LIFE AND MINISTRY

One of ten children born to John and Mary Parker, Dec. 17, 1872, three miles east of Silver City in a pioneer home; received my early education in the public schools, and assisted in the farm work.

My parents were devout Christians and family worship was a daily experience, and attendance at Sunday school and Church was strictly observed. During the "Murphy Evans" evangelistic meetings held in Silver City in the summer of 1889, I was converted and united with the Methodist Church. I served as best I could in various ways both in Silver City and the outpost which alternated between the Osborne Valley and Prairie Creek houses. In the autumn of 1894 I was elected Superintendent of the Sunday School in Silver City; which position I held for five years. Ben Martin was the first Class Leader, and held that office for many years. Due to his deep piety and devotion, he was affectionately called "Uncle Bennie" I felt very humble, yet highly honored when I was named to succeed him.

Dec., 23-1896, I was united in marriage with Nellie Jackson of Glenwood. She always cooperated with me in all of my lay activities in the church. In the fall of 1907, the Quarterly Conference voted to memorialize the District Conference to grant me a license to preach. This was done shortly afterward when the conference convened in Glenwood.

My call to preach came as a growing conviction. From my earliest recollection and on thru the years my parents taught me to regard the ministry as a sacred and noble calling. My final decision which (relatively speaking) came late in life, was mainly due to the realization that a "Call" meant preparation as well as consecration. And preparation involved time and money. With the latter finally in hand, Nellie and I made the great adventure. We went to Northwestern, Evanston, Ill., where I graduated from the school of Theology in May 1911. Dr. Hayes who at the time held the chair of New Testament Exegesis, had recommended me to be appointed to the Church at Cedar Rapids, Nebr. This was done, and went immediately to that charge and served the same until Sept. 1914, when we transferred to the Des Moines, Conference, serving Blanchard, Hamburg, Woodbine, Oakland, Audubon, Epworth, Council Bluffs and Glenwood. The Conference then granted me the retired relation and we supplied Adair three years, and this marks the seventh year of service of Pacific Junction.

During our ministry a new church was built at Cedar Rapids, and a new parsonage at Glenwood. Extensive repairs were also made on the churches at Blanchard, Audubon, Glenwood and Pacific Junction. In all of these major and many minor improvements, no debt of any kind was ever incurred. We have had the joy of receiving hundreds into church fellowship and a christian experience. I officiated at 750 funerals, and performed 500 wedding ceremonies. For 19 years I served the church as a layman, 14 of those years were shared with my wife.

Whatever success has been achieved, I attribute to the early training in the home and church; together with understanding pastors and friends who gave me encouragement and splendid advice; also I must include the many devout loyal, consecrated laymen with whom it has been our privilege to share in the joy and toil of service.

Especially do I wish to include my devoted wife Nellie; whose keen intuitive understanding of human nature; deep sympathy, sacrifice and cooperation, has been such a comfort to know. "Open House" would best describe the 36 years she has been

queen in the parsonage homes. But above all, and overshadowing all else, God called me to preach. Here I must truly confess; that thru the manifold experience which comes in such a field of endeavor. I have found "His promises are sure, they are yea and amen to those who love Him."

My starting the ministry was late, and late in life I am still serving. Surely no one is more amazed than am I, that strength has been granted me for this late hour; and surely none can feel more grateful. For 43 consecutive years we have served the Church, and have found that God's promise holds, - "As thy days so shall thy strength be."

God alone can know when the last chapter shall have been written. Physically speaking, eventide is approaching; but in spirit and life, noonday glory lies ahead. During that interim, whether it be short or long, we desire "to serve this present age, our calling to fulfill."

If you wonder about it all, dear friend--yes, you have rightly guessed! We would do it again?

On the domestic side, we adopted, reared, and gave college training to our son Harry and daughter Miriam. They are both well established in their own homes; Harry in Los Angeles, and Miriam in Denver, Colo. Their thoughtful concern for us is most gratifying. For the first in many years; we now live in our home which we have completely remodeled. We so desire that our many, many friends, both old and young to know that we are holding "OPEN HOUSE" at 608 Mill, Council Bluffs, Iowa

JUST RING THE BELL AND WALK IN PLEASE!



MRS. SANFORD JONES
(Nee Georgia Derby)

During the ministry of Rev. E. L. Spiller, I became interested in Home Missionary work. Further training after completion of High School was planned at the Iowa National Bible Training School, Des Moines, Iowa. It offered the Children's and Youth work in which I was interested.

School was fun, because the faculty and student body reflected the very atmosphere we were to encourage in our appointments. In addition to study halls, chapel, and dormitories, there were trips, demonstration classes, and field work appointments. These varied from the over privileged to the under privileged.

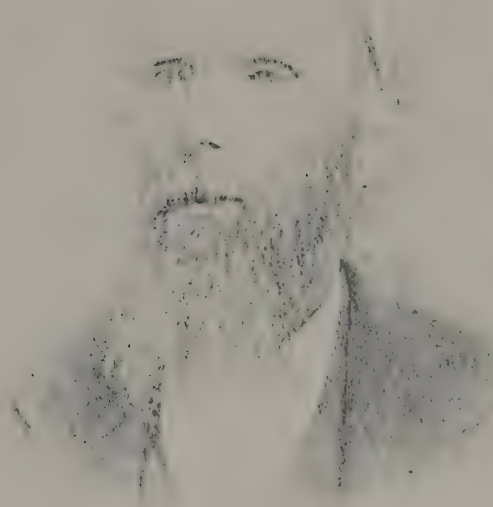
Children are alike the world over, and I soon learned that my experiences in helping bring up Silver City tots in our neighborhood, paid off in dividends here.

Graduating in '26, I came to Detroit where one teaches Religious Education after school, assist in the clinic on Friday, music lessons on Saturday, two Sunday Schools and two Church services on Sunday.

A Polish girl enrolled for piano lessons later entered Christian service. A German girl became a deaconess. An English boy continued his education, and is indeed a great Christian layman. Instituters, campers, club, or classes-the world is indeed richer because of commitments they have made.

This Bethany deaconess joined the laity in 1939. She married first violinist of the church orchestra

MRS. SANFORD JONES
(Nee Georgia Derby)



GEORGE SWARTS
1st. Mayor of Silver City

George b. 11-26-1826, Luzerne Co. Pa. s. of Peter and Susan (Dolph) Swarts. He lived Erie Co. N. Y., Wayne Co. Ohio and Albn Co., Ind. before settling in Mills Co., Iowa. He m. 1849, Margaret Johnson, who d. 1868. They had 5 dau. Emma (Mrs. Best) Alice (Mrs. Asher) Sarah (Mrs. Foster) and 1 s. William C. He m. 1870 Amanda (Johnson) Donner, a sis. of his first wife. They had 1 dau. Kate who m. E.H. Scott of Council Bluffs. He was a trustee of Ingraham twp. and was the first Mayor of Silver City. He d. 6-9-1901.

Sarah m. William Foster who farmed for several years near Silver City. They later moved into town and become residents of Council Bluffs in later years. He was door-keeper of the State Senate, a member of G.A. R. Masonic Lodge & Congregational Church. They had 2 ch. George d. young and Nellie who graduated from Silver City High School, m. Ray Kretchmer, lives in Council Bluffs and has 2 dau. Thelma and Theil, both m.

In the first city election, George Swarts and L. W. Huffaker tied in votes for Mayor. They drew straws to determine which would become Mayor. George Swarts drew the winning straw so he became the first Mayor of Silver City, 1883.

INCORPORATION, GOVERNMENT AND OFFICIALS OF SILVER CITY IOWA

In the fall of 1878, A. U. Crosby built the first store room, it was a general store and later also contained the post office. W. G. Moore built the second store which was a drug store, and S. M. Wiatt built the third store building which was also a general store. In 1879 the Western Improvement Co. laid out the town representing the Wabash Railroad. The town was incorporated in 1883.

Because of the three early fires, we cannot find a list of the town officials.

However we do know that George Swarts and L. W. Huffaker tied in the votes for the first Mayor. They drew straws to determine which would be declared elected with George Swarts winning.

As taken from the Silver City Argus
12-16-1887

Mayor - M. M. Pysing
Recorder - G. A. Bean
Treas. - W. B. Oaks
Councilmen: L. W. Huffaker, Webster Mains
H. U. Benton, J. R. Allison, H. H. Huffaker

As taken from the Silver City Review
7-24-1895

Mayor - M. E. Huffaker
Recorder - F. G. Day
Treas. - M. M. Pysing
Councilman: H. H. Huffaker, J. N. Hettinger
W. Mains, L. W. Huffaker, C. G. Greenwood,
A. P. Reeves.

As taken from the Silver City Review

2-27-1896. the following is the full ticket of
both Republican and Democratic parties for
city officials.

Republican Ticket

Mayor - M. H. Kinne
Recorder - W. J. Hostetter
Treas. - C. P. Hale
Councilmen for long term: C. D. Hawley,
S. M. Agan, J. R. Allison.

Democratic Ticket

Mayor - J. R. Lawson
Recorder - F. G. Day
Treas. - W. B. Oaks
Councilmen: Z. Elliott, H. Dresler and
Ed Allard.

As we do not have any more Reviews for that
year we do not know which ticket was elected.
However we did find in M. H. Kinne's obituary
that he was Mayor in 1896.

1897

Mayor - M. E. Huffaker
Recorder - F. G. Day
Treas. - W. B. Oaks
Councilmen: H. H. Huffaker, Silas Morse,
George Pullman, Z. Elliott, J. R. Lawson,
E. H. VanKirk.

1898

Mayor - M. E. Huffaker
Recorder - H. Dresler
Treas. - W. B. Oaks
Councilmen: George Pullman, E. F. Landon,
J. R. Lawson, S. Morse, Z. Elliott, E. H.
VanKirk.

1899

Mayor - M. E. Huffaker
Recorder - H. Dresler
Treas. - W. B. Oaks
Councilmen - George Leith, Z. Elliott,
George Pullman, E. F. Landon, E. H.
VanKirk, S. Morse.

1900

Mayor - M. E. Huffaker
Recorder - Frank Pullman
Treas. - W. B. Oaks
Councilmen - H. H. Huffaker, Frank Pettit,
George Pulman, E. F. Landon, S. Morse,
George Leith.

1901

Mayor - M. E. Huffaker
Recorder - Frank Pullman
Treas. - W. B. Oaks
Councilmen: E. F. Landon, C. H. Kruse,
Z. Elliott, H. H. Huffaker, George Leith,
F. R. Pettit.

1904

Mayor - M. E. Huffaker
Recorder - Frank Pullman
Treas. - W. B. Oaks
Councilmen: G. A. Spelbring, E. R. Landon,
Bruce Coburn, Silas Morse

1906

Mayor - S. L. Finchen
Recorder - A. P. Reeves
Treas. - F. W. Anderson
Councilmen: E. P. Landon, J. J. Taylor,
C. H. Kruse, C. A. Moore, G. A. Spel-
bring, H. Dresler.

1907

Mayor - Frank Hargitt
Recorder - A. P. Reeves
Treas. - F. W. Anderson
Councilmen: J. J. Taylor, H. Dresler,
C. H. Kruse, C. A. Moore, G. A. Spelbring

1908

Mayor - Dr. G. M. Agan
Recorder - J. B. Heide
Councilmen: G. A. Spelbring, C. H. Kruse,
C. A. Moore, H. Dresler, J. C. Spelbring
G. A. Piatt.

1910

Mayor - M. E. Huffaker
Recorder - J. B. Heide
Councilmen - J. G. Flanagan, A. P. Reeves,
W. H. Burrows, J. J. Taylor, Frank Pullman

1911

Mayor - M.E. Huffaker
Recorder - J.B. Heide
Councilmen: J.G. Flanagan, A.P. Reeves,
W.H. Burrows, J.J. Taylor, Frank Pull-
man.

1912

Mayor - M.E. Huffaker - J.G. Flanagan to
fill vacancy
Recorder - C.W. Sawyer
Treas. - E.H. VanKirk
Councilmen - T.E. Plumb, Dr. J.G. McCue,
C.A. Moore, H.C. Kockenderfer, J.J.
Maurath.

1913

Mayor - J.G. Flanagan
Recorder - C.W. Sawyer
Treas. - E.H. VanKirk
Councilmen - C.A. Moore, H.C. Kockender-
fer, T.F. Plumb, Dr. J.G. McCue, J.J.
Maurath, Maurath resigned G.A. Spelbring
elected to fill vacancy.

1914-1914

Mayor - P.V. Plumb
Recorder - C.W. Sawyer
Treas. - C.H. Kruse
Councilmen: C.A. Moore, G.A. Spelbring,
E.H. VanKirk, C.G. Cater, A.P. Reeves.

1916

Mayor - G.A. Piatt
Recorder - J.W. Kruse
Treas. - C.H. Kruse
Councilmen: C.A. Moore, H.C. Kockender-
fer, J.G. Flanagan, Z.A. Richardson,
C.G. Cater.

1917

Mayor - G.A. Piatt, replaced by J.G.
Flanagan
Recorder - J.W. Kruse
Treas. - C.H. Kruse
Councilmen: C.A. Moore, Z.A. Richardson
C.W. Sawyer, H.C. Kockenderfer, J.E.
Danielson elected to replace J.G. Flanagan
who replaced the Mayor.

1918

Mayor - J.G. Flanagan
Recorder - T.F. Plumb
Treas. - C.H. Kruse
Councilmen: J.E. Danielson, Z.A. Rich-
ardson, P.V. Plumb, C.W. Sawyer, C.A.
Moore.

1919

Mayor - J.G. Flanagan
Clerk - R.P. Galt
Treas. - C.H. Kruse
Councilmen: Z.A. Richardson, C.W. Saw-
yer, C.A. Moore, P.V. Plumb, J.E.
Danielson.

1920

Mayor - C.O. Johnson
Clerk - C.W. Bays
Treas. - C.H. Kruse
Councilmen - P.V. Plumb, R.P. Galt,
J.G. Flanagan, F.W. Anderson, Frank
Pullman.

1921

Mayor - F.W. Anderson
Clerk - C.W. Bays
Treas. - C.H. Kruse
Councilmen - P.V. Plumb, J.G. Flanagan,
R.P. Galt, H.W. Anderson, Frank
Pullman

1922

Mayor - P.V. Plumb
Clerk - R.P. Galt
Treas. - C.H. Kruse
Councilmen: J.B. Dovenspike, P.M. Fla-
mmant, Wm. Burgoin, H.W. Anderson,
Frank Pullman.

1923

Mayor - P.V. Plumb
Clerk - R.P. Galt
Treas. - C.H. Kruse
Councilmen: J.G. Flanagan, Frank Pull-
man, H.W. Anderson, Wm Burgoin, J.B.
Dovenspike, P.M. Flammant.

1924-25

Mayor - R.P. Galt
Clerk - A.P. Reeves
Treas. - C.H. Kruse
Councilmen: J.B. Dovenspike, R.W. Clip-
son, C.A. Maddocks, C.W. Sawyer, F.W.
Anderson.

1926-27

Mayor - G.A. Piatt
Clerk - C.W. Sawyer
Treas. - C.H. Kruse
Councilmen: J.B. Dovenspike, R.W. Clip-
son, C.A. Maddocks, C.W. Bays, H.W.
Anderson.

1928-29

Mayor - G.A. Piatt
Clerk - J.H. Kruse
Treas. - C.H. Kruse
Councilmen: Elton Lawson, J.B. Doven-
spike, R.W. Clipson, G.A. Spelbring,
M.J. Humston.

1930-33

Mayor - George Bada
Clerk - C.A. Maddocks, replace by R.E.
Anderson
Treas. - C.H. Kruse
Councilmen: J.H. Kruse, Wm Burgoin,
J.B. Dovenspike, M.J. Humston, G.A.
Spelbring.

1934-35

Mayor - H.W. Anderson
Clerk - R.E. Anderson, Elton Landon re-
place him.
Treas. - C.H. Kruse
Councilmen: George Carlson, M.J. Hum-
ston, R.P. Galt, J.H. Kruse, J.B.
Dovenspike.

1936-37

Mayor - George Bada
Clerk - Shirley Hendrix
Treas. - C.H. Kruse
Councilmen - George Carlson, M.J. Hum-
ston, J.H. Kruse, J.B. Dovenspike, Elton
Landon.

MAIL CARRIERS

Billie Whittington	Cloyd Strohl
L. L. Farrington	Sam Keesee
John Hopkinson	Edgar Perdue
Gail Moore	Charley Stogdill
Bill Agan	Charles Robinson
Chas Potter	Charles Melton
Guy Pettit	Hugh Clipson
Henry Rommel	Jack Clipson

1938-39

Mayor - W. A. Wilkins
Clerk - Shirley Hendrix
Treas. - C. H. Kruse
Councilmen - George Carlson, M. J. Humston,
J. H. Kruse, J. B. Dovenspike, Elton Landon

1940-41

Mayor - W. A. Wilkins
Clerk - Shirley Hendrix
Treas. - C. H. Kruse
Councilmen - J. H. Kruse, J. B. Dovenspike,
George Carlson, M. J. Humston, Elton Landon

1942-43

Mayor - W. A. Wilkins
Clerk - Shirley Hendrix
Treas. - C. H. Kruse
Councilman - J. H. Kruse, M. J. Humston, J. B.
Dovenspike, George Carlson, K. S. McMahan

1944-45

Mayor - W. A. Wilkins
Clerk - J. H. Kruse
Treas. - C. H. Kruse
Councilmen - K. S. McMahan, Robert Waller,
F. W. Anderson, George Carlson, J. B. Dovenspike.

1946-47

Mayor - R. E. Long
Clerk - J. H. Kruse
Treas. - J. H. Kruse
Councilmen - G. G. Burgoin, George Carlson,
Clifford Stewart, Clifford Moore;
H. C. Deitchler.

1948-49

Mayor - R. E. Long
Clerk - C. F. Coates
Treas. - J. H. Kruse
Councilmen: H. F. School, A. F. Childs,
Clifford Stewart, S. E. Hendrix, Otto P. Buch.

1950-51

Mayor - R. E. Long
Clerk - C. F. Coates
Treas. - J. H. Kruse
Councilmen - A. F. Childs, Walter Fender,
Shirley Hendrix, C. O. Johnson, H. F. Scheel.

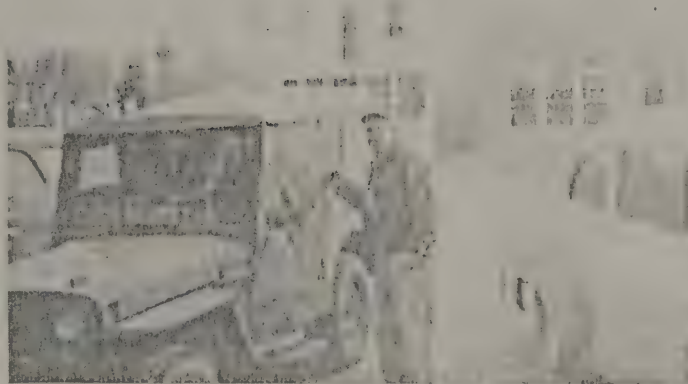
1952-53

Mayor - R. E. Long, A. F. Childs replaced
vacancy
Clerk - C. F. Coates
Treas. J. H. Kruse
Councilmen: Shirley Hendrix, H. F. Scheel,
Donald Ord, C. O. Johnson, A. F. Childs
J. A. Burgoin replaced A. F. Childs when he
replaced Mayor.

1954

Mayor - A. F. Childs
Clerk - C. F. Coates
Treas. - J. H. Kruse
Councilmen: H. F. Scheel, Shirley Hendrix,
C. O. Johnson, Donald Ord, J. A. Burgoin.

Reference: Silver City Times from 1897
and City Poll Books.



Jack Clipson-35 years as Mailcarrier

POSTMASTERS

1880 - - -	-A. W. Crosby
1883 - - -	- Elmer Stone
1885 - - -	- J. C. Christy
1887 - - -	- Edwin Morse
1890 - - -	- Z. W. Burnham
1891 - - -	- D. C. Jackson
1892 - - -	- F. G. Day
1894 - - -	- Z. A. Elliott
1898-1914-	Thomas Plumb
1914-1919	Ethel McReynolds
1919 -for 3 months-	Ruby Sell
1920 -for a few months	Eula Sell
1920-1934	Christa Hendrix
1934 -to present time-	Faye Deitchler



CITY OFFICIALS

Left to Right:

Mayor, A. F. Childs, Shirley
Hendrix, Donald Ord, H. F. Scheel,
C. O. Johnson, J. A. Burgoin

EARLY BUSINESS MEN AND HOUSES BEFORE THE FIRES



Coll Christy, , Henry Mass, , O. Daugherty
 Geo. Pullman, L.D. Huffaker, Wilbert Finchem, W.B. Oaks, Mot Pysing, Geo. Bos-
 worth, C.G. Greenwood, Chas. Rommel, L.W. Huffaker, Z. Elliott,
 Jack Coburn.



Early Auction Sale in Silver City.
 The house in background is Mrs. Sidener's boarding house.

SILVER CITY LODGE No. #403 I.O.O.F.

Silver City Lodge No. 403 was organized on March 25, 1880, with seven charter members as follows: E.F. Landon, A.U. Crosby, J.R. Allison, R.B. Parish, Webster Mains, and L.E. Patterson. The first officers were E.F. Landon-Noble Grand, A.U. Crosby-Vice Grand, W.B. Oaks, Sec. y. R.B. Parish-Past Grand, and C.P. Bateman-Warden. In 1891 fire destroyed the building and burnt, all the books and records of the lodge. Members of the Silver City Lodge No. 403 met in class room of M.E. Church Dec. 5, 1891, Moved and second that all members of this lodge be considered square on the books as of Jan. 1, 1882 and that dues begin at that date. Moved that trustees be authorized to rent the second story of the Bank Building.

Noble Grand	----	Secretary		1911	
	1891		Hal Houser	----	F. Hargitt
L.W. Huffaker	----	Geo. Howley	John Tucker		
	1892			1912	
John Pullman	----	F.G. Day	L. Hettinger	----	F. Hargitt
	1893				A.P. Reeves
H.G. Owens	----	H. Dresler		1913	
G.M. Agan	----	S.S. Agan	L. Hettinger	----	A.P. Reeves
	1894		C.W. Sawyer		
H. Dresler	----	F. Hargitt		1914	
F. Hargitt	----	G.M. Agan	L. Hettinger	----	A.P. Reeves
	1895		A.P. Reeves		F. Hargitt
S.S. Agan	----	G.M. Agan		1915	
Joseph Houser	----	F. Hargitt	L.F. Plumb	----	F. Hargitt
	1896			1916	
F.G. Day	----	F. Hargitt	L.F. Plumb	----	F. Hargitt
Edwin Allard	----		D. Haines		
	1897			1917	
E. Bannister	----	F. Hargitt	Wm Maddocks	----	F. Hargitt
E.F. Landon	----		J.W. Martin		
	1898			1918	
T.E. Plumb	----	F. Hargitt	Earl Maddocks	----	F. Hargitt
	1899		M.J. Humston		
L.D. Huffaker	----	F. Hargitt		1919	
	1900		John Tucker	----	F. Hargitt
M.E. Huffaker	----	F. Hargitt	P.V. Plumb		
F.R. Pettitt	----			1920	
	1901		Grover Goos	----	F. Hargitt
M.H. Kinne	----	D. Landon	C.O. Johnson		
W.H. Burrows	----	F. Hargitt		1921	
	1902		L.J. Reese	----	F. Hargitt
W.H. Burrows	----	W.M. Mains	Harry Maddocks		
		F. Hargitt		1922	
	1903		W.A. Pollitt	----	C.W. Bays
P. Pears	----	F. Hargitt	C.W. Hammer		
F.W. Anderson	----			1923	
	1904		John Moore	----	C.W. Bays
M.E. Huffaker	----	F. Hargitt	W.A. Bond		
Frank Pullman	----			1924	
	1905		P.S. Markel	----	C.W. Bays
Frank Pullman	----	F. Hargitt	Dave Mark		
G.A. Piatt	----			1925	
	1906		Ralph Skerritt	----	C.W. Bays
G.A. Piatt	----	F. Hargitt	Chas Agan		
S.L. Finchen	----			1926	
	1907		Guy Custer	----	C.W. Bays
L. Hettinger	----	F. Hargitt	George Markel		
E.A. Stevens	----			1927	
	1908		W.A. Pollitt	----	C.W. Bays
H.H. Huffaker	----	F. Hargitt	Wm Hettinger		
	1909			1928	
L. Hettinger	----	F. Hargitt	Dave Merk	----	C.W. Bays
			Hans Schoening		C.W. Sawyer
	1910			1929	
L. Hettinger	----	F. Hargitt		----	A.P. Reeves
Ed Pullman	----		John Moore		
			Dave Merk		

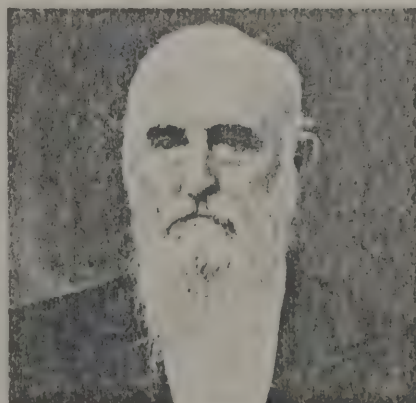
Noble Grand	----	Secretary
	1930	
J. R. Kurts	----	A. P. Reeves
Bert Fritz		
	1931	
Roy Stranathan	----	W. A. Pollitt
Fred Robertson		
	1932	
James Schoening	----	W. A. Pollitt
Marvin Pullman		
	1933	
George Schoening	----	W. A. Pollitt
Ray Chapman		
	1934	
Dave Merk	----	W. A. Pollitt
Marvin Pullman		
	1935	
Harley Attebury	----	W. A. Pollitt
Homer Moore		
	1936	
Ray Chapman	----	W. A. Pollitt
Cliff Stewart		
	1937	
Harvey Deitchler	----	W. A. Pollitt
Corte Stewart		
	1938	
Chas Agan	----	W. A. Pollitt
Ray Chapman		
	1939	
Shirley Hendrix	----	W. A. Pollitt
Cliff Stewart		
	1940	
Glenn Robertson	----	W. A. Pollitt
Claude Brooks		
	1941	
John Moore	----	W. A. Pollitt
	1942	
Alva Jones	----	W. A. Pollitt
Alfred Brandt		
	1943	
Clifford Schoening	----	Ray Chapman
Warren Robertson		
	1944	
Forest Smith	----	Ray Chapman
C. V. Sell		Clifford Schoening
	1945	
Clyde Piatt	----	Clifford Schoening
Alva Jones		
	1946	
Guy Custer	----	W. A. Pollitt
Allen Jones		
	1947	
Allen Jones	----	W. A. Pollitt
Harvey Deitchler		
	1948	
Walter Fender	----	W. A. Pollitt
A. F. Childs		A. P. Jones
	1949	
J. W. Parman	----	A. P. Jones
Wayne Stewart		
	1950	
Roland Bryant	----	A. P. Jones
Dewey Cummins		

1951
H. A. McCoy Cliff Stewart & Dwight Keith
Herman Sanders--H. A. McCoy & W. A. Pollitt
1952
Dwight Keith ---- A. P. Jones
Jesse Brown Dwight Keith
1953
Joe Walker ---- Dwight Keith
Bernard Springer
1954
Marvin Attebury ---- Dwight Keith

E. F. Landon was a 50 year member May 1904
he was initiated into Delhi Lodge No. 250 at
Delhi Ohio May 22, 1854.
Other 50 year members; Lewis Hettinger 1931,
Frank Pullman --1949



FRANK PULLMAN



E. F. LANDON

REBEKAH LODGE

Rebekah Lodge was instituted in Silver City, Jan, 19, 1916-with the following charter members; Frank Pullman, Stella Pullman, Wm Pullman, Susie Pullman, Anna Pullman, Mary Ann Pullman, Chas L. Hunt, Cora Hunt, A. Pullman, Lewis Hettinger, Alvena Hettinger, C.A. Moore, Anna Pullman, Olive Pettit, E.A. Stevens, Meda Stevens, Emma Pettit, C.W. Hammer, Cora Hammer, C.W. Sawyer, A.P. Reeve, G.A. Piatt, Dave Merk, Myrtle Merk and George Piatt.

Noble Grand		Secretary	1936	
	1916		Myrtle Merk	Olive Kessee
Meda Stevens	----	Georgia Piatt	Della Burrows	
Cora Hunt			1937	
	1917		Kate Howser	Olive Kessee
Stella Pullman	----	Emma Pettit	1938	
Kate Howser			Mary Moore	Nellie Sawyer
	1918		Harriet Hendrix	Mercedes Clark

Laura Dunagan		Emma Pettit	1939	
Allie Humston			Christa Hendrix	Emma Custer
	1919		Alice Moore	
Myrtle Merk	----	Stella Bays	1940	
Hattie Fincham			Lillie Robertson	Mary Moore
	1920		Emma Custer	
May Johnson	----	Laura Dunagan	1941	
Nellie Sawyer			Susie Stewart	Mary Moore
	1921		Margorie Evans	
Stella Pullman	----	Laura Dunagan	1942	
Bessie Batten			Letha Brandt	Mary Moore
	1922		Letha Jones	
Elsie Glebe	----	Laura Dunagan	1943	
Alice Moore			Isabelle Hansen	Mary Moore
	1923		Isa Schoening	
Cuma Ferris	----	Bessie Ray	1944	
Olive Kessee			Maude Bailey	Mary Moore
	1924		Gwen Atteburg	
Cora Hammer	----	Bessie Ray	1945	
Kate Maddocks			Della Burrows	Susie Stewart
	1925		Minnie Hays	
Grace Markel	----	Myrtle Merk	1946	
Stella Bays		Cora Hammer	Pearl Piatt	Susie Stewart
	1926		Letha Jones	
Millie Bond	----	Kate Howser	1947	
Emma Custer			Wilma Jones	Susie Stewart
	1927		Fern Stewart	
Eula Schoening	----	Stella Bays	1948	
Cuma Peterson			Willa Pullman	Susie Stewart
	1928		Erma Parman	
Madge Dunagan	----	Emma Custer	1949	
John Moore			Adelpha Bryant	Susie Stewart
	1929		Irene Childs	
Alice Moore	----	Emma Custer	1950	
Kate Howser			Merle Sanders	Wilma Jones
	1930		Lola Cummins	
Cuma Peterson	----	Millie Bond	1951	
Kate Maddocks			Cleo Fender	Wilma Jones
	1931		Fae Deitchler	
Hilda Pollitt	----	LaRue Brooks	1952	
Lillie Robertson			Inez Bond	Irene Childs
	1932		Ann McCoy	
Bertha Chambers	----	Kate Maddocks	1953	
Adah Howser		LaRue Brooks	Loraine Keith	Irene Childs
	1933		1954	
Bonnie Stranathan	----	Kate Howser	Catherine Walker	Irene Childs
Mercedes Merk				
	1934		On Oct. 21, 1920 the ladies of the Rebekah Lodge held a meeting for the purpose of organizing a sewing circle. At this meeting officers were elected. This society will be known as REBEKAH CIRCLE. Allie Humston was the first President.	
Emma Custer	----	Kate Howser		
	1935			
LaRue Brook	----	Kate Howser		
Lola Kruse				

SILVER LIGHT LODGE A. F. & A. M.

Silver Light Lodge A. F. & A. M. was instituted on June 18, 1880, and was the second order in our city. The charter members were L. W. Burnham, W. M. Banister, S. L. Wiatt and there were seven others. The records of this order was destroyed in the fires. A special meeting was held Dec. 12 1891. The members present agreed to continue the lodge. The lodge then proceeded to appoint officers. Officers elected Webster Mains, Worshipful Master.

Worshipful Master		Secretary		1936 & 1937	
1892					
Webster Mains	1893 & 1894	J. N. Agan	W. A. Pollitt	1938	C. W. Sawyer
W. B. Oaks	1895 & 1896		C. O. Johnson	1939	C. W. Sawyer
E. F. Landon	1897 & 1898	B. T. Agan	Elton Landon	1940	C. W. Sawyer
E. F. Landon	1899 & 1900	C. D. Greenwood	J. Glenn Skerritt	1941	J. B. Dovenspike
E. F. Landon	1901 & 1902	W. Mains	R. P. Galt	1942	J. B. Dovenspike
E. F. Landon	1903	C. D. Greenwood	J. M. Moore	1943	J. B. Dovenspike
J. G. McCue	1904 & 1905	P. Pearson	James Marr	1944	J. B. Dovenspike
J. G. McCue	1906, 1907, 1908 & 1909	G. A. Spelbring	Alfred Brandt	1945	James Marr
J. G. McCue	1910	E. A. Stevens	George Burgion	1946	C. O. Johnson
Chas Swanburg	1911 & 1912	G. A. Spelbring	Clifford Schoening	1947	C. O. Johnson
Chas Swanburg	1913	M. Kehoe	Grover Goos	1948	C. O. Johnson
G. A. Spelbring	1914 & 1915	J. H. Pullman	Russel Myers	1949	C. O. Johnson
G. A. Spelbring	1916	E. A. Stevens	Harold Williams	1950	C. O. Johnson
J. G. McCue	1917	E. A. Stevens	Wayne Stewart	1951	C. O. Johnson
C. W. Sawyer	1918 & 1919	Frank Pullman	Wilbert Bond	1952	C. O. Johnson
C. W. Sawyer	1920 & 1921	G. A. Spelbring	Marvin Goos	1953	C. O. Johnson
Wm Burgion	1922	G. A. Spelbring	Jack Burgion	1954	C. O. Johnson
D. L. Markel	1923	G. A. Spelbring	Ronald Bryant		C. O. Johnson
J. B. Dovenspike	1924	G. A. Spelbring	Z. W. Burnham organized the Silver Light Lodge in June 18, 1880 and on his 91st birthday he had been a member of 67 years, he was born in New York State in 1799-In 1822 he was initiated in in Cameron Lodge of Masons of New York. He then organized McHenry Lodge with which he was connected about four years, he also organized McHenry Lodge with which he was connected about four years, he also organized lodges at Richmond, Nunday, Rising Sun, Wacondy, Dundee, Kane county Algonquin and Silver Creek. 50 yr. members were Silas Morse-1919-James Finchem-1919-H. J. Bannister, G. A. Spelbring 1953-Frank Pullman 1953 1954 The Mason and Eastern Star have purchased the old Pullman Building on the N. E. corner of main street which they have occupied for several yrs. At this time are fixing the first floor for there lodge room, dining room and kitchen.		
J. B. Dovenspike	1925 & 1926	C. W. Sawyer			
M. Swarts	1927, 1928 & 1929	C. W. Sawyer			
C. O. Johnson	1930	J. B. Dovenspike			
H. W. Anderson	1931	J. B. Dovenspike			
Gail Burgion	1932	J. B. Dovenspike			
E. P. Bobbitt	1933	J. B. Dovenspike			
A. J. Miller	1934	J. B. Dovenspike			
O. F. Deitchler	1935	J. B. Dovenspike			
C. E. O'Hara	----	C. D. Mitchell			

EASTERN STAR

On Sept. - 23, 1927 Silver City Chapter No. 536 was instituted through the efforts of Sister Gertrude May of Shenandoah Iowa and much correspondence of Brother John Dovenship Secretary of the Silver City Mason's Lodge and the Grand Secretary of the Masonic Lodge of Iowa through all which our work of instituting had to be carried on. On that afternoon Silver City Chapter met in special session, to be instituted by Malvern Officers. The following were charter members; Hazel Bobbitt, Ethel Burgoin, Grace Dovenspike, Allie Humston, Chester Johnson, Emma Markel, Nellie Murphy, Lottie Talboy, Mae Burgoin, Zylphia Coiner, John Dovenspike, Florence Lawson, John Moore, Cora Spelbring, Addie Taker, Eldon Burgoin, Gerturde Clipson, Alice Moore, Frankie Johnson, Dorothy Miller, Ida McCue, Mary Swarts, Marshall Humston.

First appointed were Dorothy Miller Worthy Matron and Marshall Humston Worthy Patron. Election of regular officers were Dorothy Miller Worthy Matron and J. B. Dovenspike Worthy Patron.

Worthy Matron	Worthy Patron	Florence Marr	James Marr
1928		1944	
Dorothy Miller	J. B. Dovenspike	Kate Howser	John Moore
1929		1946	
Grace Dovenspike	..	Anna Riggins	C. O. Johnson
1930		1947	
Cora Spelbring	..	Isa Schoening	Russel Myers
1931		1948	
Emma Markel	L. P. Henry	Veda Myers	Rev. J. C. Turner
1932		1949	
Inez Sewing	..	Mary Allely	Wilbert Bond
1933		1950	
Allie Humston	C. W. Sawyer	Mae Hill	..
1934		1951	
Mae Burgoin	Roy Stranathan	Margaret Burgoin	Jack Burgoin
1935		1952	
Gertrude Clipson	C. D. Mithshell	Mary Skerritt	Art Goehring
1936		1953	
Genevieve Kruse	C. O. Johnson	Cora Boyer	Euriel Anderson
1937		1954	
Alice Moore	John Moore	Isabel Hansen	Wilbert Bond
1938			
Grace Goos	A. J. Rommel	The Star Kensington was organized April-1947. Isa Schoening was Worthy Matron of the order of Easter Star, she called a meeting of the members of the O. E. S. at the home of Vera Rommel with members being present. Charters members; Alice Moore, Anna Riggins, Grace Dovenspike, Margaret Burgoin, Eldon Burgoin, Mae Hill, Grace Goos, Gerry Goos, Isa Schoening, Isabelle Hansen, Emma Markel, Veda Myers, Vera Rommel, Grace Johnson.	
1939	A. J. Rommel		
Eldon Burgoin	A. J. Rommel		
1940			
Wauneta Gater	A. J. Rommel	1947-1948 Pres. -Mae Hill Sec'y. & Treas. Vera Rommel	
1941			
Grace Johnson	C. O. Johnson	1949 Pres. Isa Schoening-Sec'y. -Treas. Grace Johnson	
1942			
Vera Rommel	R. P. Galt	In April Isa Schoening resigned, Grace Dovenspike was elected for the year. 1950-1951 Pres. -Cora Boyer-Sec'y & Treas. Mae Hill.	
1943			
Mary Swarts	Mark Swarts	1952 - 1953 Pres. -Eldon Burgoin-Sec'y & Treas. Mae Hill.	
		1954 Pres. -Grace Johnson-Sec'y & Treas. Maybelle Adams	

ROYAL NEIGHBOR OF AMERICA

Royal Neighbors of America Camp No. 5686 was instituted in Silver City Iowa May 3, 1909. The Charter members were: Barbara Agan, Frank Decker, Cora Hunt, Della Hammons, Elma Henderson, Annie Moore, Alta Pullman, Alta Pettit, Stella Pullman, Clark Reeves, Ruth Reeves, Sadie Reeves, Emma Rook, May Rook, Lyda Virture, Mettie Walling and Clara Waltrip.

WOODMAN OF THE WORLD

Silver Leaf Lodge 439 Woodman of the World was instituted in Silver City Sept. 1913 by W.A. Morgan of Glenwood Iowa. The lodge started out with 16 members. The following officers were elected: W.A. Pollitt, C.C., J.M. Bachman-A.L., J.R. Coons-clerk, H.G. White-Banker W.J. Ervin-Escort, B.H. Spoon-Watchman, C.J. Keeton-sentry.

MODERN WOODMAN

The Modern Woodman Greenbrier Camp No. 3017 of Silver City was organized May 21-1895 with the following Charter Members: G.M. Agan, J.L. Smith, Joseph Wells, L.B. Smith, Carl Brown, Wm Arndt, H.W. Burham, G.M. Agan, W.H. Jorfon, Wm Farrel and Chas Rockwell.

LODGE K OF P

Silver City Lodge K OF P No. 14 this order was instituted Aug. 9-1894. The following were charter members; M.K. Kinne, J.N. Hettinger, C.F. Mears, S.S. Agan, Geo E. Leith, W.B. Oaks, J.G. McCue, M.O. Hanks, G.W. Spurrier, A.J. Simon, F.G. Day, C. Conger, W.H. Peters, D.L. Markel, F.F. Deitchler, W.S. Tipton, Wm Loobey and Wm Hammond.

WAYSIDE ENCAMPMENT

Wayside Encampment No. 11 was instituted in Silver City Oct. 17-1893. With the following members; E.F. Landon, W.B. Oaks, George Pullman, L.E. Patterson, P.M. Spencer, B.S. Widner, O.W. Chapman and Webster Mains.

THE GRANGES

The first Grange was organized long before there was a Silver City, meeting in the Allison school house and was known as Union Grange No. 1618. The first Master was Webster Mains, Mrs. Mains the first candidate, some of the other members were: Mr. & Mrs. J.R. Allison, H.H. Huffaker, E.F. Landon, M.E. Huffaker, L.W. Huffaker, Silas Morse, George Pullman, Martin Sidener, Erza Sidener and George Sidener.

In the late 1880's Ingraham Grange was organized in the Osborne Valley Neighborhood. It disbanded about 1901. Some of the members were: Mr. & Mrs. John Parker, Grant, Roy, Joy and Guy Paker, Mr. & Mrs. Sampson Howard, Bert, Frank and George Howard, Mr. & Mrs. J.T. Skerritt, Tom Parker, and Mr. & Mrs. J.G. Flanagan who transferred to Silver Grange in 1901.

In 1886 Silver Grange No. 1702 was organized south of Silver City and met in the old Silver or "Briggs" school house or members homes until 1912 when a beautiful lodge hall was equipped in the second floor of the A.B. Judson General Store at Balfour, Ia. Here they met until Silver Grange was disbanded in 1931 or 32.

The charter members of Silver Grange No. 1702 were: Mr. & Mrs. George Brooks, A.B. Judson, M.D. Bacon, George H. Hornby, G.N. Mandigo, Z.A. Richardson and F.M. Young, James Finchem, John Shere, H.C. Marshall, E.E. Keyes, A.J. Cobb, B.F. Dunagan, Milton Talbott, Addie Graves and Laura Graves.

Some of Silver Grange members who lived in or near Silver City at one time or another are: James Finchem, and Sam, Charles, Wilbur, Alta and Edna Finchem, Laura Moore Dinagan, John, George and Ida Skinner, P.S. Markel, Earl Maddocks, Miss Josie Rounds, Steve Rounds and dau. Herculia, Mr. & Mrs. John Christy, G.N. Mandigo, George Hornby, J.A. Farrington, J. G. Flanagan, Harry Maddocks, Will Maddocks, Wm. J. Schiermeir Jr. Chas. Hammer, Z.A. Richardson, Bill Bond, Gene Barker, D.L. Markel, R.P. Landon and dau. Ida.

In 1886 the members of Silver Grange organized a Pomona or 5th degree Grange. In 1899 they invited the members of Benton, Excelsior, Ingraham and Hillsdale Granges to join with them in promoting and furthering the development of Pomona Grange. These other Granges, not being in good circumstances, could give little assistance and Pomona Grange was soon disbanded.

In 1887 a choir composed of: A.B. Adams, J.D. Adams, J.B. Graves, Laura Graves, Addie Graves and Mrs. A.B. Judson and organized.

In 1916 an orchestra composed of Mr. & Mrs. Joy Parker, Hershaw and Everett Sawyer was organized and was well known in other circles as well as in the Grange.

A.B. Judson was Master of the Iowa State Grange for 25 yrs. Mrs. Oscar Lawson was Sec. of the Iowa State Grange for 25 yrs. She was a member of Quick Grange and later with Mr. Lawson transferred to Silver Grange.

OFFICERS OF SILVER GRANGE NO. 1702

1886	Secretary	1905	Secretary
W.M. -----	G.H. Hornby	W.M. -----	Hubert Chambers
George Brooks		J.G. Flanagan	
1887	A.W. Dearden	1906	N.M. Chambers
George Brooks		J.G. Flanagan	
1888	J.R. Graves	1907	Hubert Chambers
James Finchem		J.G. Flanagan	
1889	Clifford Dearden	1908	Cora Richardson
John Christy		J.R. Graves	
1890	A.B. Judson	1909-10	Cleva Brooks
John Christy		J.R. Graves	
1891	P.S. Markel	1911	Cora Richardson
C.A. Dearden		N.M. Chambers	
1892	P.S. Markel	1912	J.R. Graves
A.B. Judson		N.M. Chambers	
1893	George Brooks	1913-14	J.R. Graves
A.B. Judson		Harry Maddocks	
1894	J.R. Graves	1915-16	H.E. Chambers
A.B. Judson		Guy Breeding	
1895	S.L. Finchem	1917-18	Claude Brooks
B.F. Dunagan		L.L. Richardson	
1896	W. Wolfe	1919	Claude Brooks
B.F. Dunagan		H.E. Chambers	
1897-98	Kate Richardson	1920	T.A. White
J.R. Graves		Hershal Sawyer	
1899	George Skinner	1921-22	Elizabeth Sawyer
Z.A. Richardson		H.W. Sawyer	
1900-01	L.L. Richardson	1923	Elizabeth Sawyer
A.B. Judson		S.J. Parker	
1902	A.B. Judson	1924	H.E. Parker
Kate Richardson		S.J. Parker	
1903-04	Hubert Chambers	1925-26	Claude Brooks
N.M. Chambers		Dwight Buffington	
		1927-31	L.L. Richardson



SILVER GRANGE - MALVERN CHAUTAUGUA 1903-04

SEATED: Hubert Chambers, L. L. Richardson, Pearl Miller, Roy Flanagan, Mrs. Reed Graves, Mrs. Ernest Brevier, Mrs. Nelson Chambers, Mrs. A. B. Judson, Mrs. George Brooks.

STANDING: Mrs. Claude Brooks, Grace Beebee, Etta Miller, Mrs. L. L. Richardson, Nelson Chambers, A. B. Judson, Mrs. Nickerson, Maude Flanagan, Mrs. J. G. Flanagan, Martin Lutz, J. G. Flanagan, Claude Brooks, Mrs. Z. A. Richardson, Joe Miller, Z. A. Richardson, Mrs. Joe Miller, Ernest Brevier, Reed Graves.

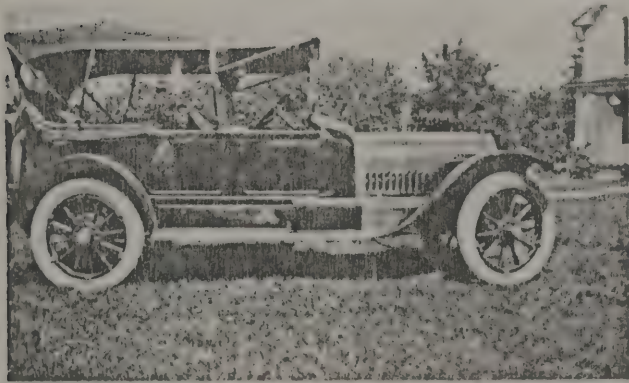
Early Automobiles



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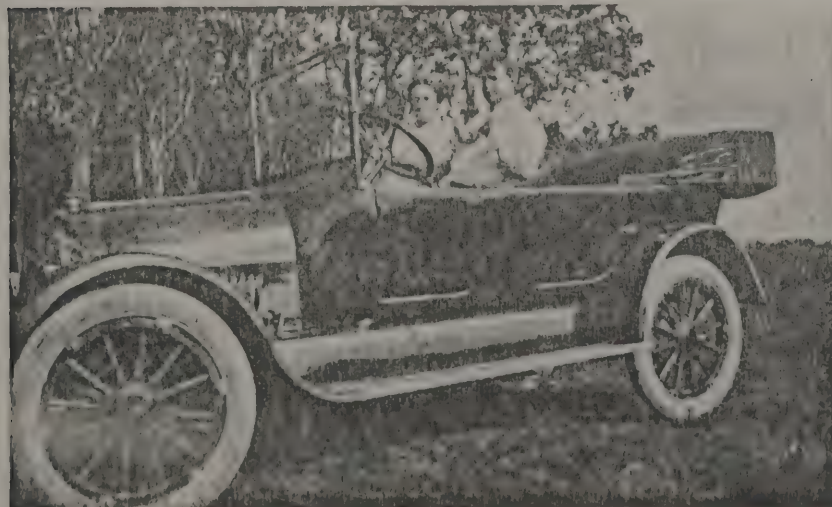
CHARLES STODGILL & DODGE



M. J. HUMSTON'S JEFFERY



W. A. POLLITT
WAVA PULLMAN
ANNA VANKIRK
In Overland



MR. & MRS. JAMES PULLMAN'S REO

Wabash Trains



LOCAL FREIGHT



"THE FLIER"



THE FIRST DEISEL THROUGH SILVER CITY



THE FIRST LARGE LOCOMOTIVE



"THE STUB" PASSENGER

CONSTRUCTION OF THE WABASH, ST. LOUIS AND PACIFIC RAILROAD

I can "hark" back to a time when there was no Silver City. Because before Silver City 'I was.' Harrison Huffaker and family were the sole occupants of the place. Myself and some nine or ten other men stayed all night with him in his little modest home in February 1879. We were members of a surveying party conducted by T. A. Clark, an uncle of mine, employed by the Wabash R. R. Company, who surveyed and constructed the first thirty-six miles out of Council Bluffs. Where Mineola now stands there were just two families, the Cash and Lanz. D. H. Solomon, a noted attorney, of Council Bluffs, was employed by the R. R. Co., to get the right-of-way through, which required all the deplomacy of a foreign Consul, but D. H. was equal to the occasion. A perfect gentleman in demeanor, suave, mild as Moses, and his step was such that he could walk on a pavement of fresh laid eggs and never crack a shell. It is hardly necessary to state that he had very few damage suits.

Reference: Silver City Times, 1-28-1932--Milo Phillips

It is a long step backward from 1932 to 1879, 53 years with only the memory as a record. Some events in the "chain" are left out and the describing becomes disconnected and a loss of interest follows. So the writer pleads guilty and asks the leniency of the court.

After the survey of the Wabash was made and the grade stakes set the contractors came on and took their places with their mules, scrapers, shovels and plows. Some of these contractors had only a mile from that up to six or eight, depending on their financial resources. If I am not mistaken I think J. J. Brown an old R. R. Contractor of Council Bluffs was the "big man" among them riding several miles out of Council Bluffs-starting from the Union Depot.

Cheap bunk houses were built along the right of way and mule stables were put up for the mules. In the bunks were mostly Irishmen. "Sons of Erin" with a small number of Swedes. In these bunks Irishmen from Donegal and the Cove of Cork, Dublin, and Tipperary, rested after 12 hours of gruesome toil; ate, drink, slept, swore and fought that the "Wabash" might live, move and have its being.

South of Silver City, some 2 1/2 miles near the old Landon and Schroder home were located the Shannon and Martin's outfit where they took out a "cut" and made a "fill" across the low ground north and south to the township line of Silver Creek. Whether they came any farther south or not I cannot say as memory fails here.

Just south and a little west of where Patrick's Mill used to stand was a firm of Morrisy & Jones-famous in the annals of the Wabash-but that is another story.

Reference: Silver City Times, 2-25-1932--Milo Phillips

Leaving a point just west of G. W. Patrick's old mill site, in Center township, the R. R. line, runs south and east. Crossing Silver Creek about half way through Section 12 in Center township, keeping very close to the creek on the east side for a mile and a half, then coming back into Silver Creek twp. in the N. W. corner of Section 18. Passing through the lands then owned by W. C. Swatrs, Aren Lewis and Pat McCormick, all

very low ground, with many sloughs and small water holes, where in the heat of summer, bred innumerable swarms of flies, mosquitoes, gnats and all sorts of creeping things. Venting their spite during the day on the men and mules, and when night came mingling their voices with that of the whippoorwill, frogs and screech owls, sending up a demonical deafening nightly chorus, that woke echos in the hills, causing the worn and weary Irishman to roll over in his bunk, sit up and wonder what it was all about. For it was in the jungle of dense forest growth, wild grape vines, thorn bushes and stumps, so thick one could hardly pass among them, that the "Forces" of Morring and Jones were encamped. Equiped only with old fashioned Drag Scrapers, pick, shovels, and plows, for all this was before the day's of modern machinery and dynamite. Here was a job that staggered the imagination, a battle with the combined forces of Nature, arranged against them, these Noble Sons of "Erin" labored and built through the blistering heat of a summer day and sun, a section of the most discouraging difficult and diabolical link of the Wabash on the whole line between Council Bluffs and Pattonsburg. "There are they who came up through great Tribulation." Little today, does the average passenger riding over the rails of the Wabash, in his upholstered seat, dream or think of the Martyrs, far from home and country, who suffered almost the returns of the Inquisition, and made it possible for him to travel in such luxury and ease.

Reference: Silver City Times, 3-10-1932--Milo Phillips



SECTION MEN

Chas. Mills
A. P. Jones
Foreman
Clif Wilhelm



WABASH DEPOT BUILT 1879



NEW WABASH DEPOT BUILT 1952



PRESENT DAY DEISEL

EARLY TRAIN WRECKS IN AND NEAR SILVER CITY





MARION MILLER



POLK LOOKER



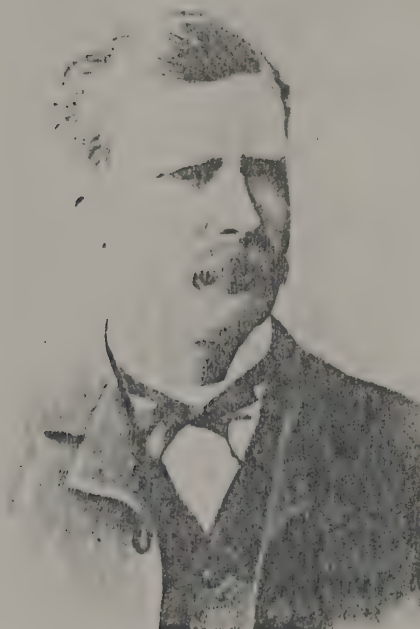
WILLIAM FOSTER



HENRY J. HUMSTON



ABRAHAM GOODMAN



GEORGE COINER



L. W. HUFFAKER

G. A. R.

The Silver City Post No. 429 G. A. R. was organized in Silver City, Iowa, April 16, 1886 with thirteen charter members. They were as follows:

S. J. Brinton	L. W. Huffaker	Joel Frost	George Phifer
J. S. Coburn	A. J. Wilson	A. J. Hamilton	J. S. Francis
D. C. Jackson	T. K. Virtue	Z. Elliott	W. W. Francis
			Lee Jones

Other members to join later were:

E. L. Craig	Tomothy Connolly	Joseph Hand	Nelson M. Adams
P. J. Gouden	M. R. Harned	G. W. McKeen	J. P. Looker
A. F. Bice	B. F. Brown	A. P. Jones	E. Banister
	A. Goodman		S. G. Sidener

The following notice appeared in July 24, 1895 "Silver City Review". . . .
 "Silver City Post, No. 429, G. A. R. Post meets every Friday evening on or before full moon. Members in good standing are cordially invited to meet with us."

The members of the G. A. R. Post were the originators of Memorial Day in Silver City for the purpose of decorating the graves of the boys who wore the coats of blue. The march to the cemetery in the days of the Old Soldiers formed on Main Street. The Marshall of the Day, Mayor and Speaker of the Day rode in a buggy at the head of the procession, followed by members of the town council in a carriage. Next in order were the Silver City Band, the Lodges in regalia, and members of Sunday School. The came the Drum Corp, Old Soldiers and citizens in carriages.

OLD SOLDIERS REUNIONS

The Annual Soldiers Reunions of Mills County were held in Silver City several times; the first on record was in September 1899 and last in 1914.

These reunions lasted three days with morning, afternoon and evening programs. Prominent men of the county and state delivered addresses. During the reunion of 1899 the High School Glee Club, Silver City Cornet Band, and Martial Band entertained the soldiers with music. Good ball games between strong teams played after the afternoon meetings. Martial music and camp fires were main feature for the evening entertainmer

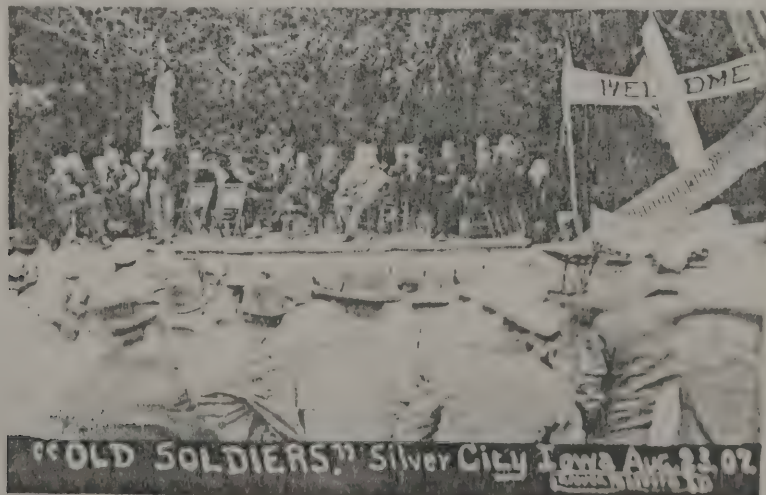
Citizens of the town assisted the Old Soldiers in making the reunions a success. In 1907 a fund of four hundred dollars was raised for the annual Old Soldiers reunion. As Silver City was noted for her musically included people, the visitors were given a grand treat. Spelbring's band gave a number of choruses, quartets, and solos. Main speakers were General Stone of Glenwood, Rev. Peter Jacobs of Tabor, Attorney Joel Estes of Sidney.

At the Campfires short addresses were given by County Attorney Starbuck, Claude Kerney, Supt. W.M. Moore, Elmer Stone and C.W. Black. The highest attendance for a day was 3,500. A merry-go-round, electric theater, platform dance, baseball and other sports furnished amusement for the younger people.

As 1914 was a state election year the majority of the speakers were candidates for state officers. Two other speakers, Hon. L.T. Genug and Gen. John Y. Stone both old soldiers and long time residents of the county delivered addresses. General Stone signed the muster roll within three miles of Silver City and served during the war in a Mills County company. A.T. Raines organized a drum corps; the martial music made the Old Soldiers step lively and brought back memories of years ago. By 1914 there were no campers on the ground due to the soldiers' ages. There were forty-five veteran of the Civil War in 1914 as compared to ninety-three in 1907 in attendance. By 1907 many of the G.A.R. members had moved away or passed on. A few of the members joined the Milton Summers Post at Malvern, Iowa.

"Us Old Soldiers marched double quick last week when two birthday dinners were served, one of them being a double-header. There were no forced marches and no one wanted to retreat after getting a look at the elaborate spread of good things."

The above quotation well-described the "Old Soldiers' Birthday Parties" which always meant a big feed, swapping yarns and renewing old acquaintances. The majority of these gatherings were held in 1911-12. There were several Old Soldiers who lived here before and after the G.A.R. Post was organized and also several were buried here who were never members of the Post.



AMERICAN LEGION

The Gordon May Post No. 439 of American Legion was organized on February 13, 1920 and was authorized by the National Headquarters at Indianapolis, Indiana on August 10, 1920. This post was named in honor of Gordon May, who was the first veteran from Silver City Community to pay the supreme sacrifice on the battle field of France.

At the election the following officers were chosen: Dr. C.O. Johnson, post commander; Earl Wilkins, vice commander; Grover Goos, adjutant; Charles Dresler, finance officer. The charter members were: Dr. C.O. Johnson, J.W. Kruse, B.L. Arnold, C.E. Jones, Roy Robinson, Arthur F. Rommel, Henry Kahl, R.G. Miller, A.F. Glebe, A. Paul Reeve, Floyd Lawson, Charles Dressler, Paul Spelbring, Gail Burgoin, Grover Goos and Harvey McClellan. The American Legion has given several Home Talent Plays, assisted with Community Carnivals and Parades.

The National Legion in 1934-35 registered the graves of all American War Veterans. Local posts took an active part in their own communities. When a grave was unmarked a stone was placed on the lot. Roy Flanagan served on this committee. In 1935-36 Roy Flanagan served as Seventh District Vice-Commander; he was also District Labor Chairman for several years.

In order to make the meetings more interesting in 1940 the members of the post related their war experiences with two members serving at each meeting. An oyster supper or steak fry was held at least once each year.

At a County Meeting held at Silver City on April 10, 1942, the Legion and Auxiliary honored six couples who had recently celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversaries. During the course of the meetings of '42 and '43 Scrap Drives were held, which increased the bank account by several hundred dollars. At the February meeting of 1943 a Community Service Flag was purchased and was dedicated on Memorial Day of the same year at the high school auditorium.

After World War II the membership was increased regularly by the addition of several veterans. The new members related their war experiences at the meetings. Motion pictures of several battle scenes were shown by K. Campbell, one of the legionaries.

The veterans of Mineola organized a new Legion Post on October 27, 1947. It was named the Mineola Post #705. The Gordon May Post continued as a single post.

At the meeting in April 1949 it was decided to present a trophy to an honor student of Silver City High School, same to be chosen by the teachers of Senior Class. A list of three names be selected and a vote would be taken by the Post and one name would be chosen. The trophy would be presented by the commander on the night of graduating exercises. This was voted to be an annual affair.

In the spring of 1953 the Legion purchased the Adams building on the west side of Main Street and are making the necessary repairs for a suitable place for future meetings. The Auxiliary will also conduct its meetings there. To initiate the new hall a Buffalo Supper was held on April third with a large attendance. Ward Burgoin furnished the meat. Donations were received from several non-legion men. During the fall of '53 the legion men sponored an ice cream social and chili supper for the building fund. The members of the Legion are noted for their Welfare work. They have assisted in the funeral services of many veterans of the various wars.

LIST OF OFFICERS

Commander	Adjutant	Commander	Adjutant
	1920-21		1926-27
Dr. C.O. Johnson	Grover Goos	Gail Burgoin	C.A. Maddocks
	1921-22		1927-28
Ed Rush	Grover Goos	Lawrence Henry	C.A. Maddocks
	1922-23		1928-29
Dr. C.O. Johnson	Clarence Maddocks	Lawrence Henry	C.A. Maddocks
	1923-24		1929-30
Dr. C.O. Hohnson	C.A. Maddocks	Grover Goos	C.A. Maddocks
	1924-25		1930-31
Guy Decker	C.A. Maddocks	Grover Goos	C.A. Maddocks
	1925-26		1931-32
Gail Burgoin	C.A. Maddocks	Earl Bobbitt	C.A. Maddocks

Commander	Adjutant	Commander	Adjutant
Earl Bobbitt	1932-33	C.O. Johnson	1943-44
Earl Bobbitt	1933-34	Arthur Schoening	Chris Kruse
Earl Bobbitt	1934-35	Gail Burgoin	1944-45
R.A. Flanagan	1935-36	Raymond Miller	Chris Kruse
Henry Kahl	1936-37	Earl Bobbitt	1945-46
Henry Kahl	1937-38	Donald Burgoin	Chris Kruse
Henry Kahl	1938-39	Marvin Goos	1946-47
Carl Green	1939-40	Jack Burgoin	Chris Kruse
Chris Kruse	1940-41	West Windle	1947-48
Chris Kruse	1941-42	Arnold Kiersch	Chris Kruse
L.F. Kruse	1942-43	West Windle	1948-49
Raymond Miller		George Miller	1949-50
			Chris Kruse
			1950-51
			Chris Kruse
			1951-52
			Ch
			Chris Kruse
			1952-53
			Chris Kruse
			1953-54
			Chris Kruse



DR. C. O. JOHNSON
First - Commander



BACK ROW: Irvin Huffaker, Harold Skerritt, Loran Boyer, Jr
Everett Simmons, Clifford Moore, Guy Decker,
Jack Burgoin, Harvey Voss, Marvin Goos, Glenn
Robertson.

FRONT ROW: Marvin Atteberry, Chris Kruse, Grover Goos,
Russell Myers, George Miller, Donald Burgoin,
West Windle.



GROVER GOOS
First-Adjutant

FIRST AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

On April 17, 1922 an Auxiliary to the American Legion was organized with sixteen names on the charter. Mrs. J.H. Belt of Woodbine, a district worker was present and organized the new unit. The following officers were chosen: President-Mrs. Mae (C.O.) Johnson; 1st Vice President-Mrs. H.S. Allender; 2nd Vice President-Mildred Maddocks; Secretary-Mrs. Ed Rush; Treasurer-Mrs. V.W. Smith; Historian-Mrs. Wallace Haney; Sergeant-at-arms-Mrs. Sam Keesee; Chaplain-Mrs. Harry Maddocks.

The most commendable project by the first organized American Legion Auxiliary was the purchase of markers for the G.A.R. graves in the Silver City cemetery. Until this time the graves of the Civil War Veterans were not marked with official association markers.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

On November 20, 1929, a social meeting of the Gordon May Post No. 439, American Legion was held at the Royal Theater for the purpose of organizing an Auxiliary Unit. Edgar Perdue, as chairman of the program committee took charge of the meeting. The program opened with several selections played by the Spelbring Orchestra. Grover Goos, Commander of the local post told about the past achievements of the local post. Next George McDermott played several trombone solos with his sister, Willa Pullman accompanying him on the piano. The chairman introduced Mrs. June Fickel of Wesley Chapel, the Mills County Chairman, gave a talk about the work of the Auxiliary.

At the election the following officers were chosen: President-Mrs. Kate Maddocks; Vice President-Mrs. Cleone Perdue; Secretary-Mrs. Mae Johnson; Treasurer-Mrs. Veda Myers; Sergeant-at-arms-Mrs. Edith Bose; Chaplain-Mrs. Tishie McNay; Historian-Mrs. Helen Maddocks.

In addition to the officers, the following were charter members:

Ethel Henry	Susie E. Pullman	Ethel Wilhelm
Eva Maddocks	Addie D. Decker	Hazel Bobbitt
Fern L. Maddocks	Edna B. Decker	Grace Goos

Mrs. Cleone Perdue, vice president moved away; she was succeeded by Mrs. Grace Goos. Mrs. Mae Johnson first secretary died February 6, 1930; her term was completed by Mrs. Ethel Henry.

A few of the activities sponsored by the Unit at various times are as follows: sew carpet rags for Veterans' Hospital at Knoxville; furnished children's clothing for state Welfare Department; sent presents for Veterans' Gift Shelf; helped county chairman with Veterans' Birthday Parties at Clarinda; furnished food for service men center at Union Station in Omaha during World War II; presented a Service Flag and Honor Roll in a public dedication service during World War II; had Poppy Poster Contest; sent girl to Hawkeye State; a book review tea; entertained Gold Star Mothers; assisted with local community welfare work; entertained at Christmas Party for a ward of children at State School; sent special gifts for Christmas and birthday to the unit's sponsored child at Glenwood State School. Many members purchased books for a "Memorial Books Shelf" in the seventh and eighth grade room at Silver City School in a very impressive ceremony; held kitchen shower and purchased Venetian Blinds for new hall; purchased a wheel chair to be used by the people of the community.

One of the outstanding entertainments sponsored by the Legion and Auxiliary was given in May 1942, when they entertained the other posts and units at a county meeting. They gave special recognition to six couples in the community who had recently celebrated their golden wedding anniversaries and all of whom had sons who served in World War I. The honored couples, dates of their golden weddings, and sons who served were as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Maddocks-January 8, 1940, sons-William, Ray and Clarence. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Decker-February 7, 1940, son-Guy. Mr. and Mrs. George Waltrip, Thanksgiving Day, 1941, son-Edgar. Mrs. and Mrs.

William Burgoin-February 3, 1942, son-Gail. Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Kruse-March 10, 1942, sons-J. William and Chris. Mr. and Mrs. Miles Huffaker-Easter 1942, son-Irvin.

During the year of 1940-41 Mrs. Ida Flanagan served as Seventh District President. At other times she held the office of Department Chaplain, Treasurer and Americanism Chairman.

The present membership is fifty, which includes three "Gold Star Mothers", Mrs. Tishie McNay, Mrs. Viva Decker and Mrs. Goldie Windle. Our unit still has six of charter members. This year will complete twenty-five years of the Gordon May Unit No. 439.

OFFICERS THROUGH THE YEARS

President	Secretary	President	Secretary
1929-30		1941-42	
Mrs. Kate Maddocks	Mrs. Mae Johnson	Mrs. Alta Green	Mrs. Hazel Bobbitt
	Mrs. Ethel Henry	1942-43	
1930-31		Mrs. Katie Moore	Mrs. Ida Flanagan
Mrs. Kate Maddocks	Mrs. Ethel Henry	1943-44	
1931-32		Mrs. Rita Kruse	Mrs. Fern Rew
Mrs. Grace Goos	Mrs. Ethel Henry	1944-45	
1932-33		Mrs. Linda Miller	Mrs. Fern Rew
Mrs. Hazel Bobbitt	Mrs. Grace Goos	1945-46	
1933-34		Mrs. Linda Miller	Mrs. Ida Flanagan
Mrs. Ethel Henry	Mrs. Grace Goos	1946-47	
Mrs. Kate Maddocks		Mrs. Margaret Lawson	Ida Flanagan
1934-35		1947-48	
Mrs. Kate Maddocks	Mrs. Grace Goos	Mrs. Emma Hansen	Miss Ada Jurgens
1935-36		1948-49	
Mrs. Veda Myers	Mrs. Grace Goos	Mrs. Minnie Hays	Elizabeth Schoening
1936-37		1949-50	
Mrs. Ida Flanagan	Mrs. Kate Maddocks	Mrs. Eunice Schroeder-Margaret Lawson	
1937-38		1950-51	
Mrs. Ida Flanagan	Mrs. Kate Maddocks	Mrs. Marie Miller	Margaret Lawson
1938-39		1951-52	
Mrs. Ethel Wilhelm	Mrs. Hazel Bobbitt	Mrs. Wilma Jones	Elizabeth Schoening
1939-40		1952-53	
Mrs. Grace Johnson	Mrs. Hazel Bobbitt	Mrs. Wilma Jones	Elizabeth Schoening
1940-41		1953-54	
Miss Willa Pullamn	Mrs. Hazel Bobbitt	Mrs. Wilma Jones	Elizabeth Schoening



BACK ROW: (Left to Right) Agnes Voss, Betty Burgoin, Neva Hafer, Margaret Burgoin, Edna Kruse, Alene Ord, Grace Goos, Grace McNay, Florence Huffaker, Willa Pullman, Veda Myers.
FRONT ROW: Elizabeth Schoening, Harriett Hendrix, Geraldine Goos, Grace Johnson, Wilma Jones.

WAR VETERANS

BLACKHAWK WAR 1831-32
HUFFAKER, ISRAEL
Cavalryman

MEXICAN WAR 1846-48
TAYLOR, JAMES
Prices Brigade, Missouri Infantry

CIVIL WAR 1861-65

(buried at Silver City* - East Liberty**)

**ADAMS, NELSON MAJOR
Co. H 20th Iowa Infantry
(Disabled while with supply train)

*BANISTER, ERASTUS
Co. K 25th Iowa Infantry
Battles-
Chickasaw Bayou, Arkansas
Post, Vicksburg, Lookout
Mountain, Taylor Ridge,
Missionary Ridge

*BEARRS, HENRY
Co. B 28th Michigan Infantry

*BICE, ARTHUR
Co. G 10th Illinois Infantry
Battles-
Fort Pillow, Tenn. (5000
prisoners captured), Corinth,
Miss. Tusculumbia, Ala.

*BLACK, GEORGE WASHINGTON
Co. L 4th Iowa Cavalry

BRINTON, SYLVANUS, G.
Co. K 8th Conn. Infantry
(Adjutant of Silver City G.A.R. Post
429 in 1887-88)

BROWN, BENJAMIN F.
Co. B 12th Mich. Infantry discharged
at Camden, Ark.

*BRYANT, LYMAN
Co. E 102nd, Illinois

CLARK, P. W.
1st Michigan Engineers (youngest of
five brothers to serve and all return
from Civil War.)

*COBURN, JOHN S.
Co. K 13th Kentucky, Cavalry
Battles-
East Tennessee, Knoxville under
General Burnside's; Sherman's March
to sea. (His skull was fractured by
shell in this siege.)

*COINER, GEORGE A.
Co. B 4th Reg. of U.S. Vol. issued by
Col. Oliver Wood, commander Camp
Chase, Ohio.

**CRAIG, ENOCH
Co. 93th Indian Infantry

CROSBY, A. W.
Co. G 15th Iowa Infantry
Battles-
Shiloh (taken prisoner)
Benton Barracks (paroled)

ELLIOTT, ZIMIRY
Co. D 145th Indiana Infantry

*FINCHEM, THOMAS JAMES
Co. C 3rd Illinois Cavalry
Battles-
Vicksburg (under Sherman)
Chickasaw Bayou, Arkansas Post;
Ripley, Hernando and Purdy, Tenn.
Pontock and Tupalo, Miss. Old Time
Creek and Big Blue near Independence,
Missouri, Nashville, Spanish Fort and
Fort Blakesly, the defenses of Mobile, Ala.

*FOSTER, W. H.
Co. B 4th Iowa Infantry
discharged at Mobile, Ala.

**FRANCIS, ABIAL W.
Co. 28th Iowa Infantry
served three years

**FRANCIS, JAMES SIMEON
Co. A 28th Iowa Infantry
Battles-
Vicksburg, Champion Hill, Jackson
Miss; Sabine Cross Roads, Winchester,
C Cedar Creek, Va; Fisher Hill.

**FRANCIS, WILLIAM
Co. A 28th Iowa Infantry
Battles-
Vicksburg, Champion Hill, Jackson, Miss.
Cedar Creek, Va; Fisher Hill, Sabine
Cross Roads Winchester.

**FRIZZEL, A. Q.
Co. G 1st Colorado Cavalry

FROST, JOEL.
Co. E 14th Iowa Infantry
discharged at Davenport, Iowa.

*GOODMAN, ABRAHAM
Co. E. 83rd Illinois Infantry
Served as chaplain of G.A.R. Post no.
429 several years.

GOUDEN, P. J.
(no record except member of G. A. R.
Post 429.

**HAMILTON, ANDREW J.
Co. G 18th Indian Infantry
Co. G 4th Regiment
Battles-
Black River, Mo. (helped drive Gen'l
Price to Ark.) Champion Hill, Miss.,
(wounded) Guard duty at Washington, D. C.
he saw President Lincoln shortly before
the assassination.

HAND, JOSEPH
Co. A 189th New York, Inf.

HARNED, MICHAEL R.
Co. A 33 Iowa Infantry
(Methodist minister of Silver City
in 1889-1890

*HOOVER, W. J.
Co. A 2nd Reg. Illinois Infantry

*HOPKINSON, JOHNOTHAN
Co. A 35th Iowa Inf. Co. B 44th Iowa
Volunteers (was discharged because of
disability; later re-enlisted.)

*HUFFAKER, LEWIS W.
Co. A 93rd Illinois Infantry
148th Illinois Infantry
Battles-
Murfreesborough (discharged because of
disability; later re-enlisted.)

HUMSTON, HENRY J.
K. 36 Iowa I.

**JACKSON, ANDREW
Co. D 39th Iowa Infantry
Battles-
Snake Creek Gap (captured and held ten
months and exchanged.) Savannah, Colum-
bia and Sherman's battles at Sherah, North
Carolina.

JACKSON, DEWILDS C.
Co. G 4th Iowa Cavalry
Battles-
Joined General Grant's army Vickburg,
Gen'l Pemberton surrendered 27,000 troops
to Gen'l Grant. Mr. Jackson's division
joined Gen'l Sherman's army.

*JONES, ALLEN P.
Co. L. 42nd Reg. Indiana Infantry
(served last half of war.)

JONES, LEANDER (or Lee)
Co. A. 123rd Indian Infantry

*KINNE, HORACE B.
Co. A 88th Illinois Infantry

KRUSE, FREDICK W.
Co. K 8th Iowa Infantry

LANE, TEDENSE
Co. C 85th Illinois Infantry

LOOKER, JAMES POKE
Co. K 43rd Missouri Infantry

*McKEEN, GEORGE
Co. G 7th Illinois Cavalry
Battles-
New Madrid, Mo; Missionary Ridge,
Tenn., Ringgold, Ga. He was taken
prisoner at Leavensworth, Tenn; later
exchanged.

*MILLER, J. MARION
Co. G 57th Indiana Infantry
Battles-

Catoosa Springs, Ga.; Campaign of Atlanta,
Ga, Nashville, Tenn. (not wounded but a
confederate gun knocked his musket from
his hands.)

PLUMB, ROBERT
Co. A 144th Ohio Infantry

PHIFER, GEORGE
Co. G. 15th Iowa Infantry

*SIDENER, MARTIN F.
Co. E 37th Indiana Infantry (discharged
for disability)

*SIDENER, SIDNEY G.
Co. A 134th Indiana Vol Infantry

*SPENCER, DAVID J.
Co. I 144th New York Infantry (served
four years)

*SPENCER, PHILLIP M.
Co. F. 121st New York Infantry (spent
considerable time in hospital with wounded
leg)

*SUHR, HENRY
Co. K 6th Wisconsin Infantry

*VIRTUE, THOMAS K.
Co. K 7th Illinois Cavalry

WILSON, ALBERT J.
Co. A 118th Illinois Infantry Mustered out
Baton Rouge, La.

RAINS, ALLEN TAYLOR
(At time of Civil War he was too young to
enlist in the army, so he served as
drummer boy).

**BUTTS, JAMES
Co. K. 146 Illinois Infantry

**CARL, JOHN
Co. I 50th Illinois Infantry

**CRAIG, ENOCHE L.
Co. A 93rd Indiana Infantry

**CLAY, ALBERT L.
Co. B 2nd Ohio H. Art.

**DONNER, ALBERT R.
Co. C 5th Iowa Cavalry

**DONNER, HENRY L.
Co. B. Iowa Infantry

**HENDERSON, JAMES
Co. E 144 New York Infantry

**LISCHEY, RUFUS C.
Co. G 34th Illinois Infantry

**MILLS, JOHN L.
Co. C 86th Indiana Infantry

**NOAH, JESSE M.
Co. B 29th Iowa Infantry

**RYERSON, JOHN
Co. F 15th Iowa Infantry

**SCOTT, JOHN WESLEY
Co. F 31st Indiana Infantry

SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR 1898-99

(*deceased)

*AGAN, JOHN N.
Co. C 51st Iowa Infantry
(bur. Los Angeles, Calif.)
AGAN, WILLIAM
30th Coast Artillery
CATTERLIN, ED
Co. L 51st Iowa Infantry

*MARKERT, ADOLPH
Co. F 52nd Iowa Infantry
(bur. Silver City)
*PETIT, GUY
Co. L 51st Iowa Infantry
(bur. Silver City)

WORLD WAR I 1917-18

AGAN, BARBARA
Nurse
*ALEVANDER, ELMER
Co. B 109th Dodge
Engineers 34 Division
(bur. Treynor)
*ALEXANDER, HARVEY FRED Pvt.
Co. C Development Batt. # 1
(Bur. East Liberty)
ATTEBERRY, DEWEY T. Pvt.
Co. I 168th Inf. 42nd Division
BACHMAN, ALDA
Co. I
BACHMAN, ROSS
BELL, ROBERT
BISHOP, CLARENCE
BRUNTS, CHARLES
BRYANT, PAUL
U.S. Navy
*BURGOIN, GAIL G. Pvt.
Headquarters Troop
10th Division
(bur. Silver City)
*CARLSON, SETH Sgt.
339th Field Artillery
(bur. Silver City)
COYNE, HARRY Pfc.
C.O.S. - D.E.T.
808 - D.E.M. Group
DECKER, GUY, Cpl.
351st. Inf. 176 Brigade
88th Division
DRESSLER, CHARLES H. Pfc.
88th Division "Cloverleaf Division"
DRESSLER, HORACE R. 2nd Lieut.
163rd Depot Brigade Infantry
FERRIS, WILLIAM EDWARD,
Machine Gun Co. 88th Inf.
3rd Ind. Hdgrs. 19th Division
FLANAGAN, ROY Sgt.
321 Repair and Salvage
1st. Brigade Tank Corps
GALLIHER, AMOS U."
GOOS, GROVER
Co. B 315th Engineers
90th Division
HAMMERS, HERBY H. Pfc.
Base Hospital #108

HETTINGER, ALFRED R. Sgt.
1st. Division 1st Ammunition Train
HETTINGER, JAMES L.
Casualty Co.
*HUFFAKER, IRVEN H. Pfc.
168th Infantry 42nd Division
(bur. Silver City)
HUFFAKER, IRVIN W. Pvt.
Motor Transport Corps
Repair Unit #304
JOHNSON, DR. C.O. 2nd Lieut.
Remount No. 8 319 th in
France Veterinary Corp.
JOHNSON, EMMETT H.
JORGENSEN, WILLIAM
KEHOE, HORACE, Pvt.
Co. A S.A.T.C.
*KESSLER, JOHN Pvt.
Co. H 18th Infantry 1st Division
(bur. Treynor)
*KIRLIN, HARRY T. Pvt.
U.S. Army (Illinois)
(bur. Silver City)
KNIGHT, CLARENCE Pfc.
Co. C Troop Transport
Train #430
KRUSE, CHRIS
Headquarter Co. 362 Inf.
91st Division Linberg Prison Camp-
Germany
KRUSE, JOHN W. Sgt.
869th Aero Squadron
LAWSON, FLOYD Sgt.
Co. B 414 Detachment Service
Bn. Q.M.C.
MADDOCKS, CLARENCE -Wagoner
Battery "B" 67th Coast Artillery Corps
MADDOCKS, RAY Lt.
17th Field Artillery, 2nd Division -
Air Service
MADDOCKS, WILLIAM Pfc.
88th Division 313 Engineers
MALSKEIT, EDWARD H. Pvt.
212th Engineers
MARSHALL, RALPH
351st. Infantry

*MAY, GORDON E. Pvt.
Co. I 58th Infantry 4th Division
Killed in action-France
MAY, HALLIE
McDERMOTT, GEORGE 1/c Musician
209th Engineers
*McNAY, GLENN W. Pvt.
Co. C. 303 Bn. Tank Corps
(bur. Silver City)
MORSE, HORACE
Field Artillery
MOORE, FRED Pvt.
Co. I 357 Inf. 90th Division
MYERS, RUSSELL Pfc.
Co. D 313 Engineers 88th Division
NICHOLS, AUGUST
*PIATT, ALBERT E.
Navy Band
(bur. Silver City)
PIATT, HUDSON-Musician
Sandstorm Division
*PLUMB, HARRY
(bur. Texas)
REEVE, A. PAUL

REEVE, CHARLES W 1 Lt.
A.G.D. Headquarters 34th Division
*REW, WILLIAM Pfc.
Base Hospital 108
(bur. Silver City)
ROBINSON, ROY Seaman 2/c
U.S. Navy
ROMMEL, ARTHUR Pfc.
Co. B 109 th Dodge Engineers
34th Division

ANDERSON, LEROY Yeoman
(office work) Ford
Island Ohu Navy
ANDERSON, POWELL Capt.
Headquarters 13th Armored
Group Army
BACHMAN, ROBERT
BACHMAN, WOODROW S-Sgt.
63rd Infantry Army
BADA, RICHARD Pvt.
Army Air Force Air Transport
Command
*BAILEY, EDWARD J. Cpl.
440 Q.A.F. Base Unit Army
(bur. Silver City)
BENSLEY, ROBERT Cpl.
Troop Carrier Command
Air Corp Army
BOLTE, ALBERT F. Pfc.
133 Field Artillery Battalion
36th Division 7th Army
BOLTE, CLARENCE F. 1st Sgt.
Headquarters Co. 96th Infantry
Division Army

RUSH, ED
Co. I
SANDERS, EDWARD P.
Bat. E 127 Field Artillery
SALEBRENER, ERNIE
*SCHOENING, GEORGE
Headquarters Co. Band Detachment
339th Field Artillery
(bur. Mineola)
SCHOENING, PAUL Pvt.

SPELBRING, PAUL Band Cpl.
344 Field Artillery Band
90th Division A.E.F.
STANLEY, CHARLES J.
Co. I Rainbow Division
*STODGILL, CHARLES
Co. I 168th Infantry Rainbow
Division (bur. East Liberty)
STODGILL, CLARENCE
STODGILL, THOMAS Pvt.
Cas. Det. 1376 Domb. Group
Bakery Co. #11 I.M.C.
STOUT, Wm. HARRY Cpl.
Co. F. 211th Engineers
TASTO, HARRY Cpl.
Co. F. 212th Engineers
*VROMAN, EDWARD
349 Infantry 88th Division
(bur. Silver City)
WALTRIP, EDGAR
Co. K 359th Infantry 90th Division
WILHELM, THOMAS
88th Division

WORLD WAR II 1941-45

BOLTE, IRWIN F. T/4
Medical Detachment 5th Army
BOLTE, GLENN J. T/5
Base Quarters Infantry
Detachment Engineer Battalion
5th Army
BOWEN, JAMES Cpl.
Batry. C. 439th Anti-Aircraft
BRYANT, PAUL Jr. Pfc.
57th Air Transport Sqd. Army
BRENEMAN, MARK Lt.
Pilot-Air Force Army
BUCH, OTTO 1st Lt.
Co. A. 220nd Infantry Regiment
42nd Rainbow Division Army
BURGOIN, CLARENCE 1st. Lt.
Service Co. 315 Infantry
79th Division Army
BURGOIN, DONALD Pfc.
3rd. Infantry Division Army
BURGOIN, JACK 3/c
A.O.M. Navy

CARLSON, KENNETH
Apprentice Seaman 1/c
V-6 Navy

CHAPMAN, MARION Boatswain 1/c
U.S.S. Hornet Navy

CHILDS, WILLIAM T/2
Training Air Corp Field Army

CLAY, MAX Capt.
Co. D. 88th Bn. Reserve Army

CLAY, NEIL Sgt.
Co. E 141st Infantry Army

CLIPSON, HELEN T/5
U.S. Army Medical Corp

CLIPSON, JAMES C. Cpl.
1st. Signal Troop
1st U.S. Cavalry Division Army

CLIPSON, RICHARD W. Lt. J.G.
U.S. 89 - U.S.N.R. Navy

*CONGER, JOE
Medical Discharge
(bur. East Liberty)

CONNER, EVERETT S/c
U.S.S. Mananjunk (A N-81) Navy

CRANE, FRED A. Machinist Mate 2/c
U.S.S. Boblink (Mine Sweeper)
U.S.S. Pakana (Salvage Ship) Navy

*DECKER, CHARLES Pvt.
39th Infantry 9th Division
Killed in action - Belgium
(bur. Silver City) Army

*DEITCHLER, EDGAR K. Sgt.
Co. F. 357th Infantry 90th Division
Killed in action - France

DEITCHLER, OLIVER P.R. 1/c
Instructor in Parachute
School Navy

DEITCHLER, VERN Sgt.
Army in Germany (present time)

FENDER, MARION E. Cpl.
Air Force Army

FENDER, RAY Boatswain Mate 2/c
Repair Component No. 1
Landing Vehicle Tracks Navy

FENDER, TRUEMAN C. Jr. Cpl.
Air Force-Airplane sheet
metal worker Army

FITZWATER, J. T. T/Sgt.
1st Radio Sqdn, Mobile
Army Air Force

FRAZIER, KENNETH Sgt.
Cadreman aiding field
Instructor Army

FRAIZER, VIRGIL Pvt.
Hq. Btry H D S I
29th Engineers Army

FRITZ, WAYNE JACK 1/c
Aviation Machinist Mate Navy

GOODMAN, CHARLES M.M. 3/c
U.S.S. Dewey Navy

GOODMAN, MAX

GOODMAN, RUSSELL A. M. M. M/c

GOOS, MARVIN 2nd. Lt.
Army Air Force

HAFER, JAMES 2/c
Fire controllman U.S.S. Murray Navy

HALL, CLARENCE E. T/5
Armed Force Radio Service Army

HAMMERS, KENNETH 3/c
Electrician Navy

HANSEN, ROLLIN Pfc.
Medical Corps. Army

HAYS, DONALD Lt.
500-69th Air Service Group Army

HAYS, R. DUANE 1/c
Aviation Machinist Mate Navy

HAYS, IRA THOMAS 1/c
Motor Machinist Mate
U.S.S. Hydrographer Navy

HENDRIX, ARTHUR Sgt.
2nd. Division U.S. Marines Corps.

HENDRIX, BASIL Pvt.
1st Field Artillery Training
Battery Army

HENDRIX, REIGNALD T/5
Engineers - Alaska Defense
Command Army

HENDRIX, SHIRLEY T/3
231 Signal Radar Maintenance
Unit Army

HORN, RAY Chief Ship Fitter
U.S.S. California Navy

HUNT, WARD 3/c
Petty Officer Navy

JENKEL, ALBERT A. Sgt.
46th Medical Battalion
Clerical Capacity Army

JENKEL, MARTIN Jr. S/Sgt.
555yh Quartermaster Group Army

JENNINGS, EARL Sgt.
Co. D 1st Batt. 1st Marines

JENS, LOUIS F. Jr. T/5
Engineers A Unit Battalion Army

JOHNSON, KENNETH Sgt.
778 Ord. L.M. Co. 78th Div. Army

JOHNSON, WAYNE Yeoman 2/c
U.S.S. Woodford Navy

JONES, WILLARD Boatswain
U.S.S. Hornet-U.S.S. Crescent City
Navy

KIERSCH, ARNOLD Ship Fitter 2/c
72nd Battalion Co. D Plt. 3
Sea Bees Navy

KELLOGG, WAYNE F. Capt.
Air Corps S.A.C. Travis Base Army

LAWSON, DONALD E S/Sgt.
Manhattan District Engineers Corps
Army

LAWSON, LEWIS Cpl.
71st. Infantry Division and 508 Para-
troop Regiment of 82nd Airborne
Division Army

LONG, ARDATH E. T/Sgt.
2nd. platoon of "A" Company
1st. Battalion 362nd Regiment
of the Northwest Powder River Army

LONG, EVA Sgt.
 557 Air Force Base Unit
 7th Ferrying Group-Air Transport
 Command Army
 LONG, ISAAC RAYMOND Jr.

 LOVE, RAYMOND Pfc.
 2233 Q M. Trucking Co.
 MABBIT, BERNARD E. T/5
 Co. L. 379th Inf. 95th Division Army
 MABBITT, DONALD W. Pvt.
 4845th S C U Military Police Army
 MADDOCKS, EARL Jr. T/5
 Medical Dept. Surgical Technician Army
 MADDOCKS, FERN 1st Lt.
 116 Station Hospital Army
 MADDOCKS, RALPH Ensign
 U.S.S. Cumberland Sound Navy
 MADDOCKS, RAY Major General
 War Department General Staff Army
 MARSHALL, ABLERT

 MASS, ELVIN S/Sgt.
 3360 Signal Bn. Army
 MASS, OTHA S/Sgt.
 Air Corps 524 Bomb Sqdn. Army
 MEEKS, ERVIN
 Sea Bees Navy
 MESSENGER, EDWARD LEE Aviation
 Air Force Army Cadet
 MILLER, GEORGE Pfc.
 Co. K. 22nd Inf. Regt. 4th
 Division Army
 MILLS, DONALD Seaman 2/c
 Co. 81 Naval Repair Base Navy
 MILLS, GAIL A. Cpl.
 Co. M 127 th Infantry Army
 MOORE, CLIFFORD Y/3
 U.S.S. Prometheus Navy
 MOORE, GENE Cpl.
 Captured at Corregidor, Philippine
 Islands, Prison Camp at Osatia,
 Japan for 39 months, 11 days.
 MORSE, HORACE
 Barrage of Ballon
 Chauffeur for Commanding Officer
 Okinawa
 ORD, DONALD S 2/c
 2nd. Div. U.S.S. Block Island Navy
 ORD, HARVEY S 1/c
 L. C. Div. U.S.S. Massachusetts Navy
 ORD, GEORGE Pvt.
 530th M.P.E.G. Army
 ORD, MARVIN F 2/c
 U.S.S. Block Island B. Div. Navy
 ORD, ROBERT S C 3/c
 U.S.N.-A.B. Navy
 PETERSON, FRED

 POLLITT, Wm. Jr.

 PORTER, C.K. Lt.
 U.S. Navy Port Directors U.S.N.R.
 PULLMAN, MARGARET Capt.
 Army Nurse Corps
 PULLMAN, WARD Sgt.
 Station Compliment Transportation
 Corps Army
 PULLMAN, WILLA Mailman 1/c
 Fleet Post Office Navy
 RIGGINS, RUSSELL
 Chief Petty Officer Sea Bees Navy
 ROBERTS, LESTER Pfc.
 Co. C 165 Infantry Army
 ROBERTS, PIERCE Pvt.
 Co. E 108th Med. Bn. Army
 ROBERTSON, CLAUDE Radioman 3/c
 U.S.N.R. Navy "Aviation"
 ROBERTSON, GLENN Boatsmate 2/c
 U.S.S. Kanawha
 ROBERTSON, HARVEY T/4
 977 Signal Service Corp Army
 SANDERS, ALBERT
 Co. M T Bn. Evacuation Hospital Corps
 SANDERS, CHARLES
 Co. G 133 Infantry
 SANDERS, LAWRENCE Sgt.
 Military Police P.N. Army
 SCHOENING, BRYON S/Sgt.
 Headquarters Co. 5th Regt. Army
 SCHOENING, EMMETT Pvt.
 304th Bomb Squadron D. Army
 SCHOENING, KENNETH Machinist 1/c
 U.S.S. Reid, Navy
 SIMMONS, EVERETT Pvt.
 Co. D 31st Signal Tgn. Bn. Army
 SMITH, FORREST E. Jr. Pfc.
 Fitzsimmons General Hospital
 Medical Corps Army
 SMITH, RICHARD W. Seaman 1/c
 Headquarters Sqd. Fleet Air Force
 Navy
 STEWART, RALPH D.
 Troop Co. C. 94th Cav. Ren.
 14th Arm'd Division Army
 *STRANATHAN, CHESTER D.
 Chief Machinist Mate-Navy
 Reported missing February 19, 1942
 When U.S.S. Perry was sunk.
 STRIETBECK, ARTHUR Jr. Cpl.
 2466 Quarters Master Trucking Co.
 Army
 STRIETBECK, HENRY
 STRIETBECK, JOSEPH Pfc.
 Headquarters Battery 957 Field Artillery
 (lost a leg) Army
 SWARTS, JOHN T/4
 Headquarters Co. U.S.F.A.F.C.
 Ord. Inf. Army
 TASTO, MERLIN Pfc.
 Air Corps-2nd. Air Force

TAYLOR, EARL Maj.
 3rd Army 90th Division Army
 TERRY, LEONARD T/Sgt.
 Co. I Fifth Army
 TURNER, JOHN M. Seaman 2/c
 U.S.N.R. Navy Band
 VIRTUE, CLARENCE Sgt.
 Finance Dept. Army
 VOSS, HARVEY
 Ship Fitter Division Navy
 *WARREN, ALFRED
 Killed
 *WHITEHEAD, LEONARD L. Pfc.
 Co. C 357th Infantry
 Killed in action in France
 (bur. Weldon)

ADAIR, LAWRENCE O. Sgt.
 516th Batt. D.A.A.A.A.
 Gun Bn. Army
 ANDERSON, POWELL Major
 Yoshino Ammunition Depot
 Armor Army
 BAILOR, DALE W. Pfc.
 Hq. Co. 338th Engineers
 Combat G.P. Army
 BOND, ROBERT S.M.
 U.S.C., G.C. Durant
 W.D.E. Navy
 BOYER, CLIFFORDE E. Pvt.
 Co. E 136 Inf. Regt. Army
 BOYER, LOREN Sgt.
 Co. L 26th Inf. Regt.
 1st Division Army
 CLIPSON, JOHN Cpl.
 U.S. Marine Corps
 CONGER, ROBERT Sgt. - Army
 DAILY, DONALD
 DEITCHLER, KENNETH S/Sgt.
 3424-3425 Technical
 Training Squadron Army
 DEITCHLER, LEE S/Sgt.
 Air Force Army
 HAINES, WALTER LAVERN Pvt.
 Co. A 86th Inf. Regt.
 10th Division Army
 HANSEN, DONALD S/Sgt.
 H.Q. 's 3585 Plt. Tng.
 Wg. Gary A.F.B. Army
 HAYES, LINDALL
 Hull Div. Sub II U.S.N. Navy
 Tongue Point
 HENDERSON, ROBERT Sgt.
 King Battery 4th Battalion
 7th Marine-1st. Marine Div.
 General Weigle Ship
 JONES, BERL E.
 D C 3 U.S. Navy
 JONES, ELLSWORTH Jr. A/1c
 516 Trp. Carr Wg. Hq. Sq. Navy

WHITEHEAD, OTIS CLAIRE Sgt.
 388 Bomb Sq. 312 Bomb Group
 5th Air Force Army
 WILHELM, LYMAN Pfc.
 A S N 504 M.P.N.C.Q.O. C. Army
 WILLIAMS, ARNOLD T/4
 Tank Driver - 3rd Armored Division
 Army
 WENDLE, WEST Sgt.
 Co. B. 1st Bn. 317 Regt.
 80th Division Army
 WRIGHT, CHARLES Pharmacist Mate 1/c
 Hospital Corps U.S. Naval Reserve
 YEOMAN, LOUIS S/Sgt.
 16th Base H.Q.S. and A.B.
 Squadron Machinist Army

KOREAN COMBAT

JONES, GERALD A/3c
 575th Field Maintenance
 Sqd. Air Force Navy
 JONES, JAMES D. Seaman 2/c
 U.S.S. Chanticleer Navy
 JONES, LEROY E.M. 2/c
 U.S.S. Bays 55318 Navy
 KIRLIN, CARROLL S.F.C.
 50th A.A.A. - A.W.Bn. (S.P.) Army
 KRUSE, ROBERT A/1c
 Rad. Tec. Air Control and Warning-
 Air Force Army
 LANDON, ROBERT Pvt.
 Headquarters and Service Co.
 81st Reconnaissance Batt.
 1st. Armored Division
 LAWRENCE, DEAN D. S/Sgt.
 Hq. and Hq. Sq. 7th Air Division
 Air Force Army
 LAWRENCE, R. EUGENE A/3c
 3640th Inslt. Sq.
 Fire Dept. Airman Army
 LAWSON, DONALD E. Lt.
 Medical Corps. Army
 LAWSON, JAMES M. Seaman
 Radarman-U.S.S. Manchester Navy
 MENSCHER, DWAYNE Pvt.
 Co. B 136th Inf. Regt.
 47th Inf. Div. Army
 MESSENGER, NORMAN G. Sgt.
 Fox Battery -1st Marine Division
 1st. Marine Division
 MILLS, DONALD Sgt.
 1-c National Guards Army
 MILLS, HAROLD A 2/c
 6319th Air Base Group
 MILLS, JERALD H. Y N 3
 Public Information-U.S. Navy
 MILLS, MAX Sgt.
 531 st. Ord Co. Army
 MOORE, DONALD R. Pvt.
 S.E. A.A.A. S.S.
 8035 A.W. Army

MOORE, OWEN S/Sgt.
 Forbes Air Base-Air Force Army
 MOORE, RANDALL S/ Sgt.
 812 Air Police
 Quarters-Walker Air Force Base Army
 ORD, JAMES A 3/c
 3806 Maint. Sqdn. Air Force Army
 PEVEHOUSE, CHARLES
 Airman Navy
 RAFFERTY, ROBERT Cpl.
 2nd. Engineers School Co. Army
 SCHOENING, ROBERT A.G. 3
 Weather Dept. N.A.S. Operation Navy
 SIMMONS, MAX AK2
 F A S R O N 102 (Supply)
 Navy Aviation Storekeeper 2c

SKERRITT, HAROLD Cpl.
 Co. B 3rd Bat.
 Quartermaster School Del. Army
 SMITH, LAWRENCE Sgt.
 Fld. Stn. 860 Q. A.A.U.
 T.R.R.S. Army
 WILLIAMS, FRED A 2c
 3345 M T R, Veh. Sq. Air Corps.
 Army
 *WILLIAMS, RONALD Pvt.
 8th Army 23 Division
 Killed in action-Korea
 WILLIAMS, SHELDON S/Sgt.
 3550 Field Maint. Sqdn.
 Jet Machanic - Ground Dept.
 Air Force Army

Additional Legion men are: Theo. F. Stortenbecker-World War II
 Marcus Severance-World War II; Donald R. Kessler-World War II
 and Lester F. Roundtree-World War II



THE LEGION HALL



MAJOR-GENERAL RAY T. MADDOCKS

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
OFFICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION
PRESS DIVISION

MAJOR GENERAL RAY T. MADDOCKS

Ray T. Maddocks was born September 21, 1895, in Silver City, Iowa. He was graduated from Knox College at Galesburg, Illinois, with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1916. He also received an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from Knox College in 1948.

He was appointed a second lieutenant, Field Artillery Reserve, on August 15, 1917, and was commissioned a second lieutenant of Cavalry in the Regular Army on October 26, 1917. Since this date he rose through the several ranks of the Army until on June 26, 1945, he was appointed a major general of the Army of the United States and on July 19, 1949, a major general in the Regular Army.

During World War I he went to France with the 17th Field Artillery, 2nd Division, but shortly after that unit's arrival in France he was assigned duty with the Air Service. He received a rating both as aerial observer and as reserve military aviator while on duty with the Air Service.

During World War II, he served with the Operations Division of the War Department General Staff as senior Army member of the Joint Strategic Committee; as senior U.S. Army Planner with the Southeast Asia Command in India and Ceylon; as U.S. liaison officer at Headquarters, Allied Land Forces, Southeast Asia; and as Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, Chief of Staff, and Deputy Commander, U.S. Forces, China Theater.

After World War II, he commanded the 3rd Armored Division; served as Deputy Director and Director of the Plans and Operations, Department of the Army General Staff, and as Army member of the Joint Strategic Survey Committee, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

He is a graduate of the following Service schools: the Cavalry School, Troop Officer's Course; the Special Advanced Equitation Course, the Cavalry School; the German Cavalry School, Hanover, Germany; and the Command and General Staff School.

He has been awarded the following United States decorations: Distinguished Service Medal, Oak Leaf Cluster, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, and Army Commendation Ribbon. In addition he has been decorated by the United Kingdom and China.

He retired from active service on June 30, 1951 with the rank of Major General.

Major General Maddocks is married and lives at Route 2, Box 289, Aptos, California. General and Mrs. Maddocks have two children, a son, a 1st Lieutenant pilot in the Regular U.S. Air Force at Stewart Air Force, New York and a daughter at Stanford University, Palo Alto, California.

SILVER CITY FAIR ASSOCIATION 1892-1897

February 4, 1892, the Silver City Driving Park Association bought the race track and all improvements from W. C. Swarts and W. B. Oaks as well as lots 1-2-3-4-5 all in block 9 for \$554.25. They also applied for membership in The American Trotting Association. M. E. Huffaker improved buildings and built an ampitheater for \$1353.40. In 1892 it was known as Silver City Driving Park Assn. In 1896 the name was changed to Silver City Fair Assn.

1892

Board of Directors: W. C. Swarts, Pres; Webster Mains, Vice-Pres; W. B. Oaks, Sec'y-Treas. M. O. Hanks, H. C. Mass

A meeting was held July 4 and 5; Malvern band hired for July 4, for \$65. Glenwood band hired for July 4 and 5 for \$150.

Fair Dates-Oct. 12, 13, 14. \$2000 in purses. Dalbey band hired for all three days for \$125.

1893

Board of Directors: W. C. Swarts, Pres; Webster Mains, Vice-Pres.; W. B. Oaks, Sec'y-Treas; J. C. Jackson, George Pullman.

Fair Dates-August 3, 4, 5. 1st day of all meetings to be Childrens Day-all children under 12 admitted free.

1894

Board of Directors: W. G. Swarts, Pres; Webster Mains, Vice-Pres; W. B. Oaks, Sec'y-Treas. M. O. Hanks, J. C. Jackson.

Fair Dates-1st. week in August. Age of children admitted free on Childrens Day changed to children under 12.

1895

Board of Directors: W. C. Swarts, Pres; M. O. Hanks, Vice-Pres; W. B. Oaks, Sec'y-Treas; J. C. Jackson, George Pullman.

No Fair dates listed

1896

Board of Directors: H. H. Huffaker, Pres; C. Schroeder, Vice-Pres; John Pullman, Sec'y-Treas; J. R. Lawson, J. L. McNay, E. H. VanKirk.

Note: J. R. Lawson later resigned and J. G. Flanagan elected to replace him;

H. H. Huffaker later resigned and W. C. Swarts elected to replace him;

E. H. VanKirk later resigned and W. B. Oaks elected to replace him.

Fair Dates-August 25, 26, 27.

1897

Board of Directors: W. B. Oaks, Pres. Geo. T. Rew, Vice-Pres; A. P. Reeve, Sec'y-Treas; W. C. Swarts, John Parker.

Fair Dates-Sept. 14, 15, 16.

Members and Stockholders 1892-1897

W. B. Oaks, F. G. Day, R. A. Moore, Webster Mains, M. O. Hanks, Geo. R. Harrison, M. E. Huffaker, M. M. Pysing, J. G. McCue, A. T. Rains, R. Bada, J. C. Jackson, E. H. VanKirk, Chas. Hammers, Wm. Flynn, H. C. Mass, F. Danelson, Geo. Pullman, John Hettinger, John VanKirk, W. H. Foster, M. J. VanKirk, P. M. Spencer, D. J. Spencer, H. H. Huffaker, D. Landon, J. J. Mass, John Pullman, A. P. Reeve, C. Schroder, S. G. Sidener, D. Hains, J. G. Flanagan, L. D. Huffaker, E. F. Landon, H. A. Shaul, L. W. Huffaker, J. R. Lawson, John Parker, Brown Miller, J. W. Anderson, F. W. Ouren, J. Heesch, Z. A. Richardson, Maurice Kehoe, H. Richmond, D. F. Smith, J. A. Farrington, Joseph Wells.

Reference: The Silver City Driving Park and Silver City Fair Book now in possession of the of the Silver City I. O. O. F. Lodge.

The buildings on the fair ground's are advertised to be sold at public auction, to the highest bidder on Saturday, Nov. 5th. This is something that should be looked upon by all with regret, for it is indeed one enterprise that should by all means have been kept in a prosperous condition, but from lack of interest on the part of our people it has proven a poor investment and when once discontinued and the buildings disposed of, it will be many moons before our town has another organization of this character. The past few meetings, especially have proven very unprofitable to the stockholders, in fact, the proceeds have not covered the expenses, and this they deem the most profitable steps for them in the future, and then Mr. Huffaker has demanded the vacation of his land.

Reference: Silver City Times, 10-30-1919 in Items Twenty One Years Ago.



SPRING VALLEY STOCK FARM,

1894

Second Annual Catalogue High Bred Trotting Stock
SPRING VALLEY STOCK FARM SILVER CITY, IOWA
W.C. Swarts, Proprietor

STALLIONS

CHORIST, 15010: dam, CHORAL; sire, CALIFORNIA 4132 in service \$50.00
CORWOOD, 24170: dam, MARY S; sire, CHORIST 15010.

MARES

CHESTNUT WILKES; dam, BELL OF LAKEVIEW; sire, BLACK WILKES 3541
MARY S; dam, BELL OF LAKEVIEW; sire, BLACK WILKES 3541
NEW FASHION: dam, FASHION; sire, BLACK WILKES 3541
BABY WONDER: dam, BLACK CROOK; sire, SIR COUNSELLOR 1842
FLORA BRUCE: dam, FLORENCE; sire, CALIFORNIA 4132
CELESTINE: dam, MAG PREWITT; sire, GENERAL WILKES 8493
CLARA BELL: dam, JENNIE C; sire, COUNSELLOR 1842
JENNIE C: dam, FAN; sire, PRESTIGE 1850
PAX; dam, FANNIE; sire, International
HELEN: dam, untraced; sire, NUTWOOD CHIEF 2030

FILLIES

MONALA: dam, CLARA BELL; sire, HACO 4367
BLOOD ORANGE; dam, FLORA BRUCE; sire, HACO 4367
WESTERN MAY: dam, MARY S; sire, HACO 4367
KITTY F.: dam, KITTIE; sire, HACO 4367
SWEET EIGHTEEN: dam, JENNIE C; sire, COUNSELLOR 1842
BROWN FILLY: dam, FINCHAM; sire, HACO 4367
BAY FILLY: dam, MAG; sire, HACO 4367

GELDINGS

ED. SOLOMON: dam, YOUNG KIT; sire, ED. ROSEWATER 16869

Reference: Catalogue 1894, Spring Valley Stock Farm, W.C. Swarts, Prop.,
Silver City, Iowa.

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This Catalogue furnished and loaned to committee by, John C. Swarts,
grandson of W.C. Swarts.

THE FAIR-1894

The general satisfaction expressed by the many visitors to our fair is certainly gratifying to our people. Silver City has again demonstrated her ability to give a successful county fair and has thereby added many more friends to her lot.

BEEF

George T. Rew the most prominent exhibitor. In this department, having his fine herd of Herfords here, which we will enumerate as follows: At three year old bull; four 3 year old cows, two of which had calves at their sides; four cows and a bull which was entered as a herd; two 2 year old heifers, which had been in milk all summer; two yearling bulls-the sire of one was Lord Melberry and was awarded premium at the World's Fair; four yearling heifers, three of which are out of same herd as Lord Melberry; two bull calves sired by Ned Brandon; two heifer calves. Mr. Rew informed us that he had a 3 year old Hereford at home that is a splendid milker and it would be hard to find a cow of any breed that would excel her for flow and richness of milk. In addition to his excellent herd of thoroughbreds, Mr. Rew had two grade cows, one grade heifer and two grade calves. All of his stock looked well. If you are interested in cattle it will richly pay you to visit Mr. Rew's excellent Maple Grove stock farm and get pointers.

Before leaving the Hereford class, we will mention that Geo. Pullman had a fine yearling bull and A. B. Judson a 2 year old bull on exhibition.

There were ten head of Jerseys on exhibition, but we did not learn to whom they belonged.

J. W. Anderson exhibited a fine yearling Shorthorn sired by Abom, an import from Scotland that sold for \$1,000. His mother was a very large cow weighing over 2,400 pounds.

Victor Sharon, a very fine specimen of the Shorthorn, owned by E. F. Landon, was also on exhibition. Victor Sharon was sired by Red Victor No. 105113; his dam was Dutchess No. 56, Vol. 36, page 690, by Aclam Sharon 54447; 3d dam Dutchess 22 by 4th duke of Geneva 7931, tracing to imported Rose of Sharon by Belvedere (1706.)

HORSES

The large number of horses here makes it impossible to give anything like a detailed write-up of them, as it would require much more space than we have at command. In the grade class the showing is an unusually large one.

Wm. Demmitt, of Hastings, has four mares and four colts here. He has an excellent colt and yearling by Commoner; also a colt and yearling by Haco. We were very much taken by the appearance of his young Haco and believe it is one of as good colts as there is almost anywhere in the country. Mr. Demmitt also has two other young colts one by Harry Mount and the other by Trenton. There will certainly be some prize-winners among the herd.

In the heavy draft we noticed Geo. T. Rew's massive Englishshire and Geo. P. Pullman's fine Morgan.

In shetland ponies was H. C. Mass' bay gelding; Clyde Allison's Batsey and W. C. Swarts's two Shetland mares with colts at their sides. Scarcely anyone passed by the stalls of these two mares and their little family without making some remark complimentary to the little horses.

Mr. Swarts also had an exhibition of seven head of Angora goats that attracted considerable attention.

Geo. Pullman's doe and two fawns were counted among the contest animals on the grounds. Harrison Huffaker was so unfortunate as to lose one of his deer, a result from the old buck being too handy with his horns, so he had but one on the grounds-that solitary buck that felled his companion.

SWINE

Nims Bros. of Emerson, had a large number on exhibition, having twenty-two head hog Poland Chinas which tip the scales at from 7 to 700 pounds. One fine herd year old over headed by Tecumseh 3d. Second prize winner from Iowa State Fair. Six months and one year, sired by Black Chief. Choice A Sweepstakes at the Red Oak fair in 1893 with litter of pigs sired by Tecumseh 3d. Sow sired by Orient bred by T. J. Harris, West Liberty, Iowa, she shows in class sow and litter of pigs under six months. Litter of four sows and one boar these are fine pigs and will weigh a pound for everyday old.

A. Bellwood, of Strahan, has three pens of Poland-Chinas. One Boar under year old that weighs over 300 pounds, and he is certainly a very fine individual. An extra fine sow, which raised a litter of nine pigs, eight of which are males, is on exhibition; also the litter. It would be hard to find as faultless pen of shoats as these. They will average 250 pounds. Mr. Bellwood certainly has some prize winners.

Wm. Hettinger has three pens of fine Poland-China shoats, 8 males, and 5 females.

John Hennings of Treynor and B. B. Boney of Hastings also have exhibits in this class.

SHEEP

John VanKirk and Ed. VanKirk each have a pen of fine Shropshire sheep, the only ones on the grounds.

THE FAIR-1897

Among others who deserve special mention for their interest taken in our fair is F. J. Duerr Co. of this city. This firm spent many hours in arranging their display and truly deserved credit for the interest they manifested and we predict that they will be repaid in time by an increase of trade, that this advertisement will bring forth.

Among others was the Cole & Cole display, of which Bert Huffaker is manager, and who took the interest to make this addition to the appearance of the floral hall, Cole & Cole are a new firm in our city, but they take the interest of one much older in making public enterprise a success. This firm start out making their name and line of goods they handle known to everybody, and we predict for them success in the future.

Pullman and Richmond also deserve special mention for their display and interest taken. Their goods were all hand make and manufactured here at home, which was the only display of homemanufactured goods on the ground, except August Jahnke's neatly arranged showcase of knives and patent horse-shoes, which he patented himself. Pullman and Richmond was a comparatively young firm in town, but they have enjoyed a most excellent trade, and their display on the fair grounds brought them the sale of three new sets of harness. They took several first premiums.

The old reliable jeweler, and watchmaker, W. F. Laeaway of Glenwood, was on dock at our fair with a large display as usual. W. F. never lets an opportunity escape him when he can gain friends and extend his already wide reputation. He is known far and wide, and by his kind and courteous treatment to all, together with his reputation for most excellent workmanship, he has gained for himself the reputation of being the most thorough watch maker and optician in the southwestern part of the state. His patients for optical work have become walking advertisements and nothing is too good for them to say or do in his favor.

If it had not been for the above mentioned firms who took the interest to lend a helping hand, the exhibits in the floral hall would have been rather short.

Reference: Silver City Times, 9-23-1897 - R. A. Bates, Editor

PREMIUM LIST FOR THE FAIR-1897

SMITH BROTHERS		1st	2nd		1st	2nd
Boar 1 yr.			2	Varigated jelly	1	
Sow 1 yr.	1			Plum sweet pickles	1	
Boar 6 mo.			2	MRS. Wm. BURGOIN		
Sow 6 mo.	1			Silk Crazy Quilt	1	
Boar 3 mo.	1			Cradle	1	
Sow 3 mo.	1			Chair cushion	1	
Sow and five pigs			2	Rug	1	
J. R. LAWSON				F. G. DAY		
Heifer 2 yrs.	1			Stallion 4 yrs. old and over	1	
Heifer 1 yr.			2	JONES & NORRIS		
Boar 1 yr.	1			Display millinery	1	
Sow 1 yr.	1			Hair work	1	
Boar 6 mo.	1			LULA COBURN		
Sow 6 mo.	1			Gooseberry jelly		2
Boar 3 mo.	1			Slumber roll	1	
Sow 3 mo.	1			Sofa Pillow		2
Boar any age	1			Plum Jelly	1	
Sow any age	1			Currant jelly	1	
Boar and four sows	1			COLE & COLE		
E. U. ANDERSON				Cooking stove	1	
Plymouth Rocks	1	2		Heating stove	1	
HARRY BOSTON				L. A. DONNER		
Bull 1 yr.	1			Mare one yr.	1	
Bull calf	1			Brood mare and colt	1	
Cow 3 yrs.			2	Horse colt 1 yr.		2
Herd of dairy cattle	1			Mare colt 1 yr.		2
Wm. BURGOIN				EDITH FRIZZELL		
Mare 1 yr.			2	Brown Bread	1	
Bull calf	1			Corn Bread	1	
Heifer 2 yr.	1			Homemade crackers		2
Heifer 1 yr.	1			Neatest display	1	
ANDY BERKHEIMER				Blackberry preserves		2
Gelding 3 yrs.	1			Dewberry preserves	1	
Mare 2 yrs.	1			Pear butter	1	
Mare 2 yrs.	1			Cherry butter		2
Silver Laced Wyandottes	1			Tomato butter		2
Golden Laced Wyandottes	1			Crabapple butter		2
Brown Leghorns	1	2		Muskmelon butter	1	
White Leghorns	1			Apple Jelly		2
JENNY SMITH				Crab jelly		2
Peach preserves	1			Rhubarb jelly	1	
Watermelon preserves				Quince jelly	1	
Plum preserves	1			Pear jelly	1	
Apple preserves			2	Cherry jelly		2
Strawberry preserves	1			Wild grape jelly	1	
Crab apple preserves		2		Raspberry jam	1	
Grape preserves		2		Blackberry jam	1	
Cherry preserves	22	2		Strawberry jam	1	
Pear preserves		2		Currant		2
Blackberry preserves	1			Verrigated jelly		2
Tomato preserves		2		Cucumber pickles	1	
Citron preserves	1			Tomato pickles	1	
Peach butter		2		Onion pickles	1	
Cherry butter	1			Mango pickles	1	
Grape butter	1			Picililly	1	
Crab apple jelly		2		Pear sweet pickles	1	
Grape jelly	1			Chow Chow pickles	1	
Strawberry jelly	1			Grape catsup	1	
Gooseberry jelly	1			Cucumber catsup	1	
Pear jelly		2		Specimen peaches bottled	1	
Wild grape		2		Specimen gooseberries bottled	1	
Blackberry jam	1			Specimen elderberries bottled	1	
				Dried apples	1	
				Dried plums	1	

	1st	2nd		1st	2nd
Dried blackberries	1		Stallion shown best five	1	
Rag carpet	1		Best stallion	1	
Worsted crazy quilt	1		Best mare	1	
Half bushel turnips	1		Best colt	1	
IDA MURPHY			Heifer two years	1	
Bantams	1		Heifer one years	1	
Z. A. RICHARDSON			JIM SWARTS		
Gelding two yrs.	1		Bull 1 yr.		2
Coarse wool buck	1		MRS. J. T. SKERRITT		
A. P. REEVE			Variety of grapes	1	
Bull 3 yrs.	1		Spec. plums	1	
Bull 2 yrs.	1		VINA SHEEL		
Heifer 1 yrs.	1		Worsted patch work quilt	1	
Heifer calf	1		D. F. SMITH		
Herd dairy cattle		2	Half bushel timothy	1	
BESSIE REW			Collection of apples	1	
Mare 3 yrs.	1	2	Five varieties winter apples	1	
Best double team	1		Collection of grapes	1	
Bull calf	1		Hard soap	1	
Cow 3 yrs.		2	Brood mare and colt		2
Heifer 2 yrs.		2	Bronze turkeys	1	
Heifer 1 yr.		2	Pekin Ducks	1	
Heifer calf	1		W. E. WICKERSHAM		
Stand cover	1		Water fountain	dip.	
Sofa pillow	1		W. B. OAKS		
Spec. emb. silk	1		Bull calf		2
Photograph frame	1		Cow 3 yrs.	1	
Lunch cloth	1		Cow 3 yrs.	1	
Baby pillow	1		Boar 6 mo.		2
GEO. T. REW			OAKS and HANKS		
Stallion 4 yrs.	1		Bull 2 yrs.		2
Stallion 4 yrs.	1		Bull 2 yrs.	1	
Mare colt 1 yr.		2	Bull calf	1	
Bull 3 yrs.	1		Cow 3 yrs.	1	2
Bull 1 yr.	1	2	Heifer 2 yrs.		2
Cow 3 yrs.	1		Heifer 1 yr.		2
Heifer 2 yrs.	1		Bull calf	1	2
Heifer 2 yrs.		2	Bull any age or breed		2
Heifer 1 yr.		2	Beef cattle herd		2
Heifer calf		2	Boar 1 yr.		2
Calf, heifer or bull	1		Sow and 5 pigs		2
Bull any age or breed	1		Boar and 4 sows		2
Herd of thoroughbred cattle	1		Coarse wool buck		2
SID REW			3 coarse wool bucks		2
Mare 4 yrs.	1	2	JAMES FINCHAM		
Best double team		2	Half bu. early potatoes		2
J. T. SKERRITT			Half bu. late potatoes	1	2
Mare 4 yrs.		2	Variety seed	1	
Bull 3 yrs.	1		NELLIE FOSTER		
Bull 1 yr.	1		Bureau cover	1	
Heifer 1 yr.	1		Specimen embroidery linen	1	
Calf, heifer or bull		2	Specimen hemstitching		2
Bushel yellow corn	1		Doilies	1	
W. C. SWARTS			Center piece	1	
Stallion 4 yrs.		2	ETTA VanKIRK		
Mare 4 yrs.		2	Grape jelly	1	
Mare 3 yrs.	1		White mountain cake	1	
Mare 2 yrs.	1		Calico dress	1	
Mare 1 yr.	1		MRS. C. A. HASTINGS		
Breed mare colt	1		Landscape in oil	1	
Mare colt 1 yr.	1		Flowers in water color	1	
Horse colt 1 yr.	1		Pastel	1	
Stallion any age or breed		2	Soft soap	1	
			Tomato catsup	1	

	1st	2nd		1st	2nd
Edging	1		L. G. McCOY		
Stand Cover		2	3 coarse wool ewes	1	
Lamp Mat	1		P. S. MARKEL		
Bible Mat	1		Mule three yr.		2
Knit lace and edge cotton		2	D. L. MARKET		
Comb honey	1		Specimen of peaches	1	
H. J. HUMSTON			M. M. PYSING		
Half bushel clover	1		Ketsilman Fence machine		
Half bushel muleet	1		F. PAVLES		
BERT HOWARD			Peach preserves	1	
Mare 3 yrs.	1		Plum preserves		2
Mare colt 1 yr.	1		Crabapple preserves	1	
Best double team	1		Plum butter		2
MRS. C. P. HALE			Strawberry jelly		2
Half bushel yams	1		Raspberry jelly	1	
" " "	1		Raspberry jam		2
Loaf yeast bread		2	Blackberry jam		2
Beet pickles	1		Currant butter		2
Worsted crazy quilt		2	Currant preserves		2
Plain sewing by girl		2	Specimens currants bottled	1	
Calico dress by girl	1		Specimens tomatoes	1	
Specimen cross stitch	1		Edging		2
Organ stool cover	1		Crochet lace and edge cotton	1	
Whisk broom holder	1		Specimen edge linen		2
WILLIAM HETTINGER			Knit lace cotton	1	
Gelding 3 yrs.	1		Knit wool lace		2
Sow 1 yr.		2	MISS MARY PULLMAN		
Sow and 5 pigs	1		Loaf yeast bread	1	
JOHN HETTINGER			Specimen coffee cake		2
Gelding 3 yrs.		2	H. H. RICHMOND		
MRS. M. E. HUFFAKER			Riding bridle	1	
Raspberry jelly		2	Double Harness	1	2
Specimen crabapples bottled	1		Double carriage harness	1	
MRS. D. J. SPENCER			Single	1	
Fruit pies	1		G. W. RIMEL		
Mince pies	1		Horse colt 1 yr.	1	
Chocolate cake	1		Bushel yellow dent corn		2
Cookies	1		Half bushel early potatoes	1	
Watermelon preserves		2	Pumpkin	1	
Apple preserves	1		Half bushel white beans	1	
Strawberry preserves		2	MRS. A. P. REEVE		
Grape preserves	1		Langshans	1	
Cherry preserves	1		Bluff leghorns		2
Pear preserves	1		Butter	1	
Tomato preserves	1		Slumber roll		2
Peach butter	1		Specimen embroidery linen		2
Tomato preserves	1		Lambrequin	1	
Plum butter		2	Shopping bag	1	
Crabapple butter	1		Carpet foot stool	1	
Grape butter	1		Towel rings	1	
Apple jelly	1		F. E. RICHARDS		
Rhubarb jelly		2	Half bushel spring wheat	1	
Cherry jelly	1		Half bushel timothy		2
Egg pickles	1		Half bushel oats	1	
GEORGE W. HARRISON			Vinegar	1	
Stallion 1 yr.	1		Dozen hens eggs	1	
AUGUST JAHNKE			Blackberry jelly	1	
Horse shoe hand make	1		Cherry pickles	1	
M. KEHOE			Pears bottled	1	
Light brahma	1		Blackberries bottled	1	
Buff leghorns	1		Cotton patch quilt	1	
Black breasted games	1				
Any other games	1		Reference: Silver City Times 9-23-1904		
Ferrets	1	2	R. A. Bates, Editor		



ROWAN KURTZ AND WM. POLLITT
 Their threshing machine and crew.



SILVER CITY ARGUS
Published December 16, 1887
Editor H. J. Bedford

This was the first paper printed in our little town.

Editor H. J. Bedford said in his salutatory that he intended to "fire hot shot into the ranks of the enemies of the people's interests and whenever we howl you may be sure we are right."

The Argus was independent in politics.

The paper was a six-column, four page concern, with two pages printed at home, and the subscription price was \$1.25 per year.

Advertisers

The business houses advertised in the Argus were:

Dr. J. W. Epler, physician
L. W. Huffaker, Justice of the Peace
W. G. Moore & Co. drugs
D. C. Brown, hardware
Pullman & Hettinger, general merchandise
Silver City Bank, capital \$35,000
S. G. Brinton, painter
Howser Bros., proprietors of the Tremont House
M. E. Huffaker, contractor and builders
John Gunselly, blacksmith
D. J. Spencer, blacksmith
W. A. Ellis, general merchandise
H. C. Mass, pool hall
S. G. Sidner, livery barn
Greenwood & Mains, grain, coal and feed
C. G. Greenwood

Rev. G. W. Robrick was pastor of the Methodist church, and Mrs. Belle Weidner was Sunday School Superintendent.

City Officers

The city officers were as follows:

M. M. Pysing - - - - - Mayor
G. A. Bean - - - - - Recorder
W. B. Oaks - - - - - Treasurer
C. E. Dalton--Marshal and street commissioner

L. W. Huffaker, Webster Mains, H. U. Benton, J. R. Allison and H. H. Huffaker were Councilmen.

Secret Societies :

Wm. Pullman was Noble Grand of the I. O. O. F. and Lewis Hettinger was secretary. D. C. Jackson was Commander of the G. A. R. and S. G. Brinton was adjutant. W. G. Moore was Chief Patriarch of Wayside Encampment and George Harrison was Scribe.

Locals:

Dan. Farrell, Mills County's sheriff, spent part of the Sabbath in this city.

Corn is of a much better quality in this county, than in the adjoining counties.

Messrs Greenwood & Mains had the first bill filled at this office a lot of weight checks. There is more grain and stock shipped from Silver City, than from any other town in the county.

Herbert and Frank Ellis, who are attending the Deaf and Dumb Asylum at Council Bluffs are in this city visiting their parents, this week.

Avery Sidner took a trip to Omaha last week. Omaha hath charms which Iowa's young men cannot resist.

Mr. J. C. Christy invested in printers ink, last week.

We are contemplating a writeup of Silver City for the holidays.

Mr. S. G. Sidner, our liveryman, has an attractive card in this week's issue.

We acknowledge a pleasant call from James All and wife one day last week.

The Silver City Cornet Band is one that the citizens ought to be proud of and do all that they can to aid it in the future.

Walter Smith of Sidney, Iowa, spent a few days in the City, last week, he was very much pleased with the appearance of the burg.

Reference: Silver City Times 1907. Copy of Argus was furnished by Mrs. J. L. McNay.

SILVER CITY SUN June 2, 1892

Published as part of the Glenwood Tribune

A copy of the Silver City Sun, which seems to have been a part of one of the pages of the Glenwood paper has been nicely preserved all these years by S. Howard, who kindly handed it to us to look over the other day

A few items are gleaned therefrom:

Christian Schroder has bought the Herman Lyons farm, containing 80 acres. \$47.50 is the way it counts up. Possession given at once.

This fine weather the mechanics are rushing the work at the driving park with a vim, and from the letters received from our sister towns July 4th and 5th will be gala days if the weather is fine. We anticipate July 4th the biggest crowd that ever came together in Mills County.

David Emerick, and old pioneer of Mills Co., died at his residence southeast of Silver City, Sunday May 29, at a ripe old age. The remains were taken Monday to Nebraska for interment.

Jackson Hardware Co. will move their furniture into the new building next week.

A large searching party will be sent out this week to find James Linder.

The colored minister failed to preach in the M. E. Church Sunday.

Douglas Haines has considerable sickness in his family..

On Friday last James Linder, who was farming the Bada land in connection with the Tipton Brothers, came in from planting corn, saying that the planter was broken and that it would be necessary for him to go to Council Bluffs to get repairs. He came on to town tying his mules at the rack and took the train to the Bluffs. Dr. Cornish saw him there, Linder remarking that he would not take time to eat but would go and get his repairs. Since that time no information has been had of him. There being nothing wrong with the planter, and other things in connection with his behavior, all tend to indicate that he had become deranged. Each day there has been a large force in search of him. At times word has come that he was seen near the five mile house, and in the neighborhood Mr. Linder was considered a fine young man, no bad habits, and a great deal of sympathy is expressed for him.

Reference: Reprinted in Silver City Times, September 27, 1917.

Editorial

Little Miss Peary will probably want to go the north pole to spend her summers.

A Horse and buggy were stolen from in front of Kansas City's central police station, but there were no policemen in the buggy at the time.

The idea of a Chicago man's setting forth to find the north pole seems to have aroused hostile Eastern critics to the notion that Chicago means to annex it.

Since the British vessels will not assist in patrolling Behring sea, perhaps they will hold Uncle Sam's coat while he gives the Canadian poachers a scientific thrashing of approved pattern.

There are more ways of achieving fame than by dragging it out of the sea by the fore-top. Lieutenant Peary's Artic expedition, which has just returned, didn't find the north pole but it brough back a little daughter presented to him by Mrs. Peary at a point further north than anybody was ever know to be born before.

A third American Artic expedition, that of Lieutenant Peary, has returned disconsolately home without having reached the limit of previous exploration. This seems to be a bad year fro Arctic expedition, some how, or else the temper of the explorers who have undertaken to reach the pole during the last twelve months is not of that sterling quality which made their predecessors famous.

Peru is scarcely out of one fight before she begins to make faces at Chili. South Americans seem to be unhappy unless they are cutting each others throats. It is rare that peace reigns at any one time through the whole of the peninsula.

ADVERTISERS

W.G. Moore, oldest established drug house in the dity.

Skillicon & Co. drugs

Pulman & Hettinger, general merchandies.

M.M. Pysing, farm Implements, Groceries

Silver City State Band, capital \$50,000-Greenwood, Pres.-E.F. Landon, Vice Pres-

W.B. Oaks, cashier. Directors, C.G. Greenwood, M. Flanagan, Robert Plumb,

E.F. Landon, A. Hirsyey.

Huffaker & Christy, insurance

Chas. F. Mears, Jeweler

Livery and Feed Stable, Sid Sidener.

Mains & Reeve, Grain & Coal

C.G. Grenwood, Silver City Lumber Yard.

Henry Mass, Meat Market.

Oaks & Jackson, Real Estate.

A.J. Simons, Photographer.

Z. Ellhott & Sons, General Merchandise

L.A. Hepler, General Merchandise.

B.S. Weidner, Harness

H. Dresler, Papering hanging & Decorating.

M.E. Huffaker, Contractors & Builders.

Moore & McCue, Physician and Surgeons.

Agan & Agan, Physician and Surgeons.

W.A. Myers, veterinary, surgeon and Dentist.

W.J. Hostetter, Dentist.

Locals and General

Geo Pullman started yesterday for Pullman, Nebraska.

Our postoffice is undergoing another change. This time the office will occupy the rear end of the building facing the main entrance.

Work on Agan & Agan's new brick building is progressing finely. The building when completed will be one of the finest appearing in the city. A few more good buildings like the one just mentioned are badly needed on West Main street.



SILVER CITY REVIEW.

VOLUME IV

SILVER CITY, IOWA, WEDNESDAY, JULY 27, 1895.

AV.

Pullman & Hettinger.

HATS

Men's and Boys' straw hats, 5, 10, 15c
An elegant style straw hat 25c
All our fine dress straw hats going at almost half price.
Our young girls' Outing caps at 20 cents, worth 35c
Our men's clear Nutria black crushers only \$1.85 worth \$2.50
Our youths' Crushers 75c worth \$1.00

HOSE

Ladies' fine, seamless black hose 3 for 25c
Ladies' Rockfords 10c
Ladies' absolutely fast black cotton hose, 15c worth 25c
Children's seamless fast black hose only 15c
Children's seamless extra quality hose 10c
Children's heavy ribbed seamless hose, two threads and guaranteed
to give perfect satisfaction, 15c worth 25c
Men's Rockfords 10c for 25c

PRINTS

4c, 1, 1, muslin 4c, Gingham 5c

SUMMER DRESS GOODS

Figured Crspons 15c worth 25c
Figured Sateens, latest designs going at 12c
Fancy striped muslins only 7c
All wool black Henrietta 40 inches wide 45c worth 75c. All
wool imported Henrietta 44 inches wide 70c worth \$1.25
25 pieces English wool Henrietta 25c worth 50c

UNDERWEAR

Ladies' extra quality ribbed Vests 10c, Ladies' fine Jersey ribbed Vests 15 and 20c, Ladies' Egyptian ribbed Vests 40c worth 65c.
Men's French Balbriggan Shirts 35c, Men's Imp. French Balbriggan Shirts 50c, Men's Jean drawers only 35c, Men's unbleached Jean Drawers extra heavy 35c



Pullman & Hettinger.

Editorial -- To Our Readers

With this issue of The Silver City Times we enter into a new field of labor, and in so doing we expect to give you a live local paper, one worthy of your patronage and support and we will do everything in our power to make The Times a welcome visitor into every household in this vicinity.

The Times shall be a strictly independent paper, and with "Equal Rights to all and Special Privileges to None," as our motto, we wish to gain many warm friends and earnest supporters.

We have established a paper in Silver City without one cent of bonus or advance money, simply because we think a town as large as this city, and as many hustling and earnest working business men as it has is sufficient to make us believe that a newspaper will be a paying investment, if not at present, it will be before many months.

We wish to meet every person in hand clasp or chat, in which we might tell them of our aim and plans to make the Times a looked for visitor to every fireside. We shall strive to make each issue better than the previous one, of unquestionable moral tone, and of character that everyone can recommend it to their neighbors and friends.

The advertising rates of the Times will be reasonable, and we trust that all will assist us in this line. All church, secret society and benevolent notices will be inserted in our columns free of charge, others from above will be strictly 5 cents per line for each insertion. Where there is an entertainment given, or benefit for any enterprise toward the upbuilding of our city, you will always find the editor only too willing to lend a helping hand in any way possible.

To our business men and advertisers who in this issue have placed their "ads", we extend a cordial welcome and trust the money expended in this way will return to them with tenfold interest.

In conclusion, we wish to say that the Times is established to stay, and you need not fear to lay down your dollar for a years reading, thinking that you will not receive the paper the year out. We would be glad to have every person in the vicinity call at our office and get acquainted whether they become readers and patrons or not. Thanking you in advance for any favors shown us, we remain, Yours Very Resp.,

R. A. Bates,
Editor

ADVERTISERS

F. J. Duerr Co., General Merchandise
Silver City State Bank, Capital \$50,000
C. Elliott & Co., Meat Market
Lew Hettinger, The Cottage Hotel
L. A. Hepler, General Merchandise
W. A. Murphey, Jewelry, watch repair, ice cream parlor
F. C. Jackson, Livery and Feed and Sale Stable
Pullman and Richmond, Hardware
Agan & Agan, Physicians and Surgeons
Dr. 's Moore and McCue
W. J. Hostetter, Dentist

Local and General

Picked up Here and There and Jotted Down for the interest of the Times Readers

Come and see us.

Mornings quite cool.

Trade with the home merchant.

How do you like the first issue?

Mrs. Clara Swanburg is on the sick list.

VanKirk Bros. shipped a car of hogs to Omaha Tuesday. The VanKirk Bros. are among this sections most extensive shippers.

Rev. Joseph Wells will preach at Evergreen school house next Sunday.

Rev. James Simms who has been sick was able to fill his pulpit last Sunday.

Frank Ouren shipped a car of hogs to South Omaha Monday evening.

Miss Jessie Seidler and Miss Nellie Sayles, of Council Bluffs, have opened up a dress making parlors in the Danielson Hotel.

A bouncing baby boy arrived at the home of Wm. Burgoin last Sunday evening. The Dime Social and Literary entertainment at the Baptist Church last Friday evening was a success.

Swarts & Co. shipped ten cars of cattle to Chicago last Saturday evening. Herb Richman of Malvern opened up a harness shop in the H. C. Mass building Friday.

Remember the ball at the Opera House next Friday evening.

Prof. Pitzer orders a copy of the Times sent to Mrs. Mary Phipps, Hillsdale.

Coll Christy is able to be out again.

Dr. Hostetter has moved his dental office to the Agan building.

Mrs. Prouty, one of our school teachers, was visiting in Council Bluffs and Omaha last week.

Mr. Ben Agan, principal of Mineola schools was in town Saturday. A Grand Ball will be given in the Opera House, next Friday evening, May 14th, under the auspices of the NEW SILVER ORCHESTRA.

O. E. Danielson and mother are preparing to open a cheese factory in Silver City. The machinery arrived from Council Bluffs last Saturday evening, and the factory will be located in the yellow building just east of the hotel, which they have neatly fitted up for the purpose. In conversation with Otto he informed us that machinery purchased will have a capacity of 200 pounds daily, and they expect to manufacture the very finest of full cream cheese, such as was manufactured in Germany many years ago. The Times extends the right hand of prosperity and trusts that their new venture may prove a success.

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EDITORIAL SILVER CITY TIMES 7-3-1902

We have but few words to say in taking charge of the Times, It is our intention to keep the paper up to its present high standard as a local and county paper. Politically, it will remain the same as in the past-independent of all parties and creeds, reserving the right to commend any public official or party.

To make a good paper the editor must have the support of his readers. We invite all patrons of the Times to come see us, and get acquainted. The Times is your paper and with your help we can make it one to be proud of.

Of the business men of Silver City we would ask a continuance of their liberal patronage afforded the Times in the past. We will do our best to satisfy you, and all such patronage will be appreciated.

Again we ask all to call and see what the "new editor" looks like. E. A. Stevens.

"Steve" edited the Times until December 1916 when he and C.W. Bays "more or less traded" publication. Mr. Bays coming to Silver City as editor of the Times and Steve going to Woodbine where he edited the Twiner.

Perhaps the most typical editorial by Steve during his years as the beloved editor of the Times is the one in the Special Edition of May 2, 1912 when the Silver City Cemetery Association edited the Times. Here in full is his editorial:

LOCAL COLOR

Things Heard in Silver City

Not a few who have read Booth Tarkington's delightful novel "The Conquest of Canaan" will recall with more or less satisfaction several of the more prominent characters. However, we do not hesitate to claim that those personalities which gave you the greatest pleasure were not Joe Loudon nor Ariel Tabor, but old Edkew Arp with his unanswerable arguments, who with his cronies held daily meetings at the City Hotel, much to the disgust of Judge Pike, the owner and richest man in Canaan.

Silver City may not be able to boast a Joe Loudon nor yet an Ariel Tabor, but she can lay claim to the possession of several "spicy" old gentlemen, who can spin a yarn or crack a joke equal to any on record.

In recalling a few of these incidents which we just happened to have, we hope to give no offense.

Mention will be made of a number who have passed on leaving the friends behind filled to the brim with precious memories, some sad and others very characteristic and amusing. The first incident concerns a program in the hall one Decoration Day, when all moved along harmoniously until dear old Squire Huffaker, the moderator arose and announced that he took great pleasure in introducing Mr. P. of Glenwood, would now deliver the address of the day. Looking around the Squire discovered the honorable gentleman to be nowhere in sight. However his immediate appearance, apparently from the skies, greatly relieved the Squire, who exclaimed "God bless my soul man, you ought to have been sitting out here on the stage." Needless to say all within hearing, smiled.

Another time we recall a discussion between Uncle Johnny VanKirk, who dearly loves a show, and Uncle Ezra Sidener, as to the deepest mud they ever say or pulled a load through. Having set on the fence so long, we have become rather clever at balancing, when it comes to decisions, so we are not yet prepared to say who won the day but never will Iowa see such mud as these two old men told about that day.

You all know how Uncle Johnny loves a show, so we will tell a little joke on him, just as he told it to us. Says he, "I went to a met-i-ney at the "Krag" today. "Oh, did you? What did you see?" "Huh Got stung. Saw Uncle Tom's Cabin. Wouldn't stayed, but "by dad" they had two of the best Marks I ever saw in my life." Since one of these amiable gentlemen is sufficient to hold a crowd, who can blame Uncle for remaining when they had two such cheerful Liar-yers.

One cold winter morning we meet Uncle Silas Morse, as we go down the street. "Good morning," we say, "Isn't this pretty cold weather for old folks to be out?" "I reckon it is, but I haven't see many old folks out." As a man thinketh so is he; rebuked we pass on determined to adopt Uncle Silas recipe for rosy cheeks and a smiling countenance.

Now, as you will admit, not many of us will be remembered by actual heroism and yet right in our midst we have a man, (If it were only known,) is a hero. During the last great fire in Silver City, J.C. Jackson, so says his wife; carried to safety one lonely little calling card while the wife toted the stove. After all it's the little things that count.

Another time we are sitting with dear old "Pap" Landon, in an outer room of a home, where lies one stricken and laid low by disease. We all anxiously await every word from the bedside but none with such sorrow, such sympathy as he. And yet he endeavors to cheer the watchers and cracks a joke at his boots, when they squeak in spite of his attempts to move about quietly, "Confound these old boots, I've greased them three times and still they squeak." Life is uncertain and no one knows the day nor hour of his going out and this anxious fearful watcher passes away himself long before the friend he so greatly admired and loved.

You all know Grandpa Jack Taylor's ability as a story teller, and general all around fun maker. You also know he dearly loves music, but did you ever hear him tell that at one time he had serious tho'ts of having his mouth measured for a jew's harp. If you ever did, you'll never forget it nor the genial old gentleman who made the statement.

As we said in the beginning we hope we have given no offense by recalling these few of many amusing incidents which have come under our observation. As citizens of Silver City we are proud of you, one and all, and as friends and acquaintances we acknowledge you to be equalled by few, excelled by none.

A WORD INTRODUCTORY

People of this vicinity already understand that a change has been made in the ownership and management of the Times.

The Times will continue to be a local newspaper in all that the term implies.

While not coming from a great distance we are a "stranger in a strange land." In this respect we ask the indulgence and patience of the people and we invite the co-operation of everyone.

Politically the editor is republican and if the paper has much of anything to say in this direction it will naturally incline thus wise. However, the Times will be independent, not neutral, politically and will endorse men and measures rather than party, at all times.

Realizing that it is things done rather than things said that count we will stop right here and get busy.

Very cordially

C.W. Bays

December 7, 1916 Silver City Times

ANNOUNCEMENT

The new editor and publisher of the Silver City Times approaches her responsibilities with more or less hesitation and anxiety; hesitation because she is aware that her new duties and responsibilities will be exceedingly great; and anxiety because she is the first time entering a new phase of her chosen field of endeavor.

We have come to Silver City of our own accord, confident, that the location from a publisher's stand-point is one of advantage. We hope to make a material success here, which of course, is necessary if we are to continue, yet if we are to remain, there are certain things we owe to the city and community. Hence: it will be our constant endeavor to prove worthy; to publish a newspaper equal to what you have had in the past and to improve it, if possible. In addition, since we are to make this place our permanent home, we hope soon to meet, and know intimately the people with whom we are to live and associate. We want your friendship and co-operation as well as your business.

It is our hope that we will be able to carry on and publish the same excellent newspaper that Mr. and Mrs. Bays have always given the readers of the Times.

12-8-1927 Silver City Times

Bertha G. Peterson

TO PATRONS AND FRIENDS

It is not without misgivings that I am entering into the job of editor and publisher of this paper.

Silver City is my home. I am indebted to her schools, churches, and even the "Times" itself for whatever training and inspiration I have. Her interest are naturally, my interests.

I mean to put into this paper the best of my efforts, and plead with you for patience, forbearance, and the good will that is the heritage of the "Times" and so with the aid of kind providence, I hope to make the venture a success and the Times a credit to my home town.

11-9-1933 Silver City Times

Reignald Hendrix

A WORD FROM THE BAYS'

One score and one year ago my father brought forth from this printing press the first issue of the Times, carrying the Bays name on the editorial page. For eleven years he sat in this office chair, writing things, and heaving them into a corner which should have been a wastebasket, or draping them on the copy hook over the Linotype.

For eleven years he fed papers to a hungry press and called in the family to help fold them while he gave the forms a bath, throwing the water out the back door. For eleven years, he built the fires, tended the sycamore tree, collected ads, and cut scrap paper into copy pads.

Then the California bug hit him, and he moved out, to be brought back later to the quiet hill above town.

And now, after nearly another eleven years, circumstances have so transpired that again the Bays' are back, stepping in their father's shoes, many sizes too big, perhaps but still traveling. And we, the Bays family, take this opportunity of announcing that though those shoes pinch in places and need cotton stuffing in the toes, we'll do our best to walk in them along the inky trail our Dad stepped.

We appreciate your friendship, solicit your cooperation--and thank you for both.

Leona Bays Gater

October 7, 1937

Leona Bays Gater died June 14, 1940. Silver City will greatly miss the little vivacious, alert, and ever active Leona, as she was known by all who came in contact with her. We did not come in contact with her as a teacher--Though we know that she spent sixteen years of her life as a class room instructor--but as an active community worker. Her first such work here was as Camp Fire Girls Counsellor and memories of her to those girls will never lessen with the years. Since 1938 we have all realized that when anyone needed a boost or a word of encouragement toward community activities--Leona could give that needed bit. Many will recall that in Sept. 1938 after the busy three day Festival in Silver City, costuming the Queen, driving her Chevie packed with kids whrough the parade, in the evening watched the Ferris Wheel-- then operated on at the hospital the next morning on Friday and home again on Monday. As Leona in Sept. 15 issue said "Festival, Hospital, Operating Room, and Home, in a Week." Leona gave freely, gladly and willingly her time, talent, and effort to her church, her community and her friends because she loved life.

Leona Bays Gater was the last real owner and publisher of the Silver City Times. Her daughter Fern edited it for awhile. Then the Glenwood Tribune bought the Times--published it for a time, and finally consolidated it with the Tribune. And so we say farewell to an old and dear friend "The Silver City Times."



BIRDS EYE VIEW LOOKING SILVER CITY TOWN 1897

CEMETERY SCENE ON
MEMORIAL DAY BEFORE 1911



FLOWER CHILDREN
OF AN EARLY MEMORIAL DAY

TOP ROW: Art Rommel, George Dresler, Ferril Thompson, Alfred Deitchler, Jack Chipson, Bryan Dresler, Ward Farrington.
2ND ROW: Lloyd Pettit, Rew Burgoin, Novell Hettinger, Ada Swarts, Verva Heide, Wanda Ramsey, Neva Mosely, Viva Dunagan, Macile Moore, Alice Reeve, Fern Hettinger.
3RD ROW: Carl Kruse, Glen Bryant, Clive Pullman, Alice Burgoin, Vivian Clipson, Iva Howser, Martha Day, Jeanette Moore, George Mosely.



CEMETERY SCENE ON
AN EARLY MEMORIAL DAY

CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

In 1881 a committee consisting of Mr. George Pullman, Mr. E. F. Landon and Mr. John Parker met to find a location for a cemetery. Mr. Allison wanted to have it on his farm but the committee decided it was too far out and chose the present site, south of town on the ridge that rises above the valley made by Silver Creek. It is practically level with only a gently slope to the west. The land has been purchased in three different plats owned by Isreal and Harrison Huffaker and Richard Bada in the years 1881, 1898, and 1918. This land is divided into 489 plats which include some half lots and quarters. It extends over land a quarter of mile long and 330 feet wide. This was purchased by the township trustees.

In March 1893 the cemetery association was organized but wasn't incorporated till August 8, 1886. The organization directs the care and the upkeep with tax levy of township and town, the membership dues and interest from the endowment fund.

The first officers of the organization was: Mrs. C. A. Hastings, Pres.; Mrs. Emily Anderson, Vice Pres.; Mrs. M. J. Huffaker, Recording Sec'y.; Mrs. R. A. Moore, Corresponding Sec'y.; and Mrs. Bell Widener, Treasurer. The directors were: Mrs. C. A. Hastings, Mrs. J. C. Jackson, Mrs. George T. Rew, Mrs. M. J. Huffaker and Mrs. Emily Anderson. The financial committee was Mrs. R. A. Moore, Mrs. D. J. Spencer and Mr. J. L. McNay. There were at that time a membership in the association of 94 members.

They enclosed the cemetery with a neat white fence and laid out lots twenty feet square, also alleys and streets. They set out shade trees on the west and ornamental trees in front and have a concrete walk from the town leading up to front entrance.

Records show the first burial was John Hennings, July 1, 1881. Trustees names appearing on this old deed are John Parker, E. F. Landon and George Pullman. L. W. Huffaker and W. B. Oaks as notaries.

Mr. F. J. Fincham, a Civil War Veteran was the first sexton serving from 1896 to 1913.

In 1899 and 1900 the cemetery gave a play and bazaar to raise money. When the members were not present at the meetings they were charged ten cent fines for each meeting.

In 1911 the association decided to mark all graves with no markers. They made wooden ones painted white with name in black. Then in 1932 they replaced these with metal markers and in 1948 they got one hundred metal grave markers with numbers on to mark all unclaimed ones.

During 1912 the editor E. A. Stevens offered the association half of receipts from the advertising if they would take charge of the Souvenir edition of the Silver City Times for May 2.

The endowment fund was started in 1923 and this fund is a permanent fund to care for the lots, the association buys bonds with the money and we get to use the interest.

The association decided to improve the cemetery, to buy an iron fence in 1923 and concrete driveway in cemetery. In 1927 they purchased the name "Silver City Cemetery" which was placed above the gate. Another way they have earned some money was to have food sales.

Mrs. Ida McCue served as secretary from 1905 to 1945 and Mrs. M. J. Jackson served as treasurer from 1900 to 1925.

The following are a list of past presidents who have given their time and help to improve the cemetery:

Mrs. C. A. Hastings-1896-1906

Mrs. Lawson-1907-1908

Mrs. Bessie Burgoin-1909-1911-1916-1926

Mrs. Kehoe-1912-1915

Mrs. Ceceila VanKirk-1927-1930

Mrs. Mary Swarts-1931-1949

The present officers for the association 1953 are: President, Mrs. Fern Burgoin; Vice President, Mrs. Etta Anderson; Recording Secretary, Miss Grace McNay; Treas.,

Mrs. Ezza Pullman; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Emma Markel; and Directors-Mrs Tisha McNay, and Miss Willa Pullman.

We are always glad to have you join our ranks, Quite a number of our old members have passed into the "Great Beyond" and we need others to help us care for the "Silent City" of our dead.

LAST REUNION A MEMORIAL DAY POEM

Leona Bays Gater

Somehow I like old cemeteries best,
Those quiet places near a little town;
Where sheltered in the boundaries of rest,
The toilers paused to lay their burdens down.

Perhaps they are old-fashioned tall stones set,
With names etched deep across a granite faces;
The pointed cedars whispering, and yet,
Could such things be, they seem a friendly place.

And if the spirit of the ones who lie
Asleep beneath green cedar and gray stone,
Has followed them out there beneath the sky,
And lingering, had made the place their own.

A friendly folks, our small town people are,
Pausing to chat, and mayhap borrow from;
Too prone, we're told, to follow news afar,
Yet swift, indeed, to help when sorrows come.

And so they gather on that green hill now,
As old friends join the circle one by one;
The farmer with no furrow he must plow,
The mother with her household tasks all done.

The doctor, his long years of service o'er,
Has joined the ranks of those who know no pain;
And he who kept the little village store,
May visit with his customers again,

And could the editor, who rests awhile
'Neath headlines other hands for him have set,
One item add, He'd say with old-time smile;
"The little town will all be with us, Yet!"



FLOWER CHILDREN OF 1920

F.W. CLUB



BOTTOM ROW: Anna Plumb Power, Emma Huffaker Moore, Frances McCoy McGee, and Hazel Moore.

MIDDLE ROW: Sadie Reeve Swarts, Beulah Christy, Maude Flanagan, Dora Powers Wright, Clara Plumb Barnes.

TOP ROW: Etta VanKirk Anderson, Katie Goos Moore, Georgia VanKirk Hettinger, Elise Baugh Godfrey, Blanch Smith Rice.

The F.W. Club consisted of young ladies who met at different homes to do fancy work for entertainment. July, 1910 members of the club were invited to Miss Agnes Samelson's home in Shenandoah, where many features were planned for the day. In the afternoon the girls of Shenandoah F.W. Club joined the group. Those attending were: Maude Flanagan, Frances McCoy, Emma Huffaker, Clara Plumb, Leona Schultz, Dora Powers, Elsie Baugh, Sadie Reeve, Anna Plumb, and Katie Goos.

The next year 1911 several members were soon to seek new homes, so the Fancy Work Club entertained for them. One of the amusing features was the reading of an original poem by Miss Samelson to the "Bridges to be and Is". Then the club prophecy "ten years hence", was given in dialogue form by Misses Christy, Samelson and Etta VanKirk. A song composed by Clara Plumb and sung by the group. Misses Maude Flanagan, Clara Plumb, and Beulah Christy entertained the club Jan. 1917 at the Plumb home for Mrs. Albert Moore of Outlook Canada, and Miss Agnes Samelson of Shenandoah. Those present were Mrs. F.W. Anderson, Mrs. J.H. Hettinger, Mrs. John Wright, Mrs. Will Agan, Mrs. Gail Moore, Misses Maude Flanagan, Hazel Moore, Carrie Hettinger, Ruby Frazier, Beulah Christy, Clara Plumb, Marie Marcom, Maude Plumer and guest of honor. They discontinued later and in June 1930 they had a reunion of their members at Mrs. F.W. Anderson home. They spent the afternoon visiting and doing fancy work.

T.A.C. CLUB

The T.A.C. Club was organized in 1905 with Mrs. Ida McCue, President; Mrs. Cora Spelbring, Sec'y., Mrs. Meda Stevens, Treas. Those belonging were Lizzie Greenwood, Cora Spelbring, Mary Pullman, Ida McCue, Viva Landon, Bessie Burgoin, Mrs. Moser, Mae Burgoin, Ceceila VanKirk, Clotida Lawson, Laura Dunagan, Emma Markel, Mrs. Flanagan, Jeanette Pullman, Gretrude Lacock, Laura Moore, Ode Little and Emma Huffaker.

January 1908, the members of the club with their husbands and friends were entertained by Miss Clara Plumb. Guests all brought a shadow picture of themselves which were hung on the wall. The club held several parties, one entertained for the teachers of Silver City school at Mrs. James Burgoin's with forty to fifty guests present. Another time Mrs. Cora Spelbring entertained members of the T.A.C. at "Mad March Hares" party. The Members of the Fancy Work Club were entertained at a six o'clock dinner at Mrs. Flanagan's home in May 1911.

Friday afternoon the members of the club entertained their mothers and a number of the elderly ladies of the town and vicinity in honor of Mother's Day. The event was held at the home of Mrs. C.L. Lawson with about thirty-five present. All brought pictures of themselves taken in their younger days and had a merry time guessing who they were. The guests were given pieces of cloth with which to dress a doll, for a prize-the dolls being brushes, corn cob or anything handy. The judges awarded the prize, a pretty cup and saucer, to Mrs. Webster Mains.

"The T.A.C. Club has been organized four or five years and is flourishing more than ever, and if there is a man in town who really know what "T.A.C." stands for, we wish he would raise his hand." Later we found out that it meant TUESDAY AFTERNOON CLUB.



STANDING: Madames: Hal Howser, G. A. Spelbring, J. G. Flanagan, Wm. Burgoin, C. L. Lawson, R. P. Galt, Grace Hawley, D. L. Markel, J. T. Skerritt, Chas. Sell, C. H. Kruse, Wm. Agan, Harry Maddocks, L. D. Huffaker.

BOTTOM ROW: Madames: James Burgoin, H. H. Huffaker, P. V. Plumb, R. W. Clipson, Tisha McNay, J. G. McCue.



PAST TIME CLUB

TOP ROW: Roy Robinson, Paul Reeve.
 2ND ROW: Earl Evans, Hugh Clipson, J. W. Kruse.
 3RD ROW: Rowan Kurtz, Grover Goos, Gail Burgoin, Charles Stodgill
 4TH ROW: Carlisle Clipson, Ward Burgoin, George Burgoin.



TOP ROW: Madames: F. H. Plummer, H. Dresler, James Burgoin, John Tucker, D. L. Markel, Laura Dunagan, Wm. Burgoin, John Speer, Guy Custer, Ed. Pullman, M. Kehoe, J. G. McCue, G. A. Spelbring, J. G. Flanagan.

BOTTOM ROW: E. A. Stevens, C. A. Moore, C. L. Lawson, James Swarts, I. S. Little, Frank Pullman, E. H. VanKirk.



LEFT TO RIGHT
 Earl Bryant, Hugh Clipson, Bill Kruse, Paul Reeve, Grover Goos, Harry Plumb.

CAMP FIRE GIRLS

The Camp Fire Girls were organized on July 7, 1917 when a group of girls met at the C.W. Bays home. The girls chose "Fontanelle" for the name of their camp.

The charter members of the camp are as follows: Helen Anderson, Eunice Moore, Myrtle Paulsen, Mildred Paulsen, Adah Howser, Phyllis Burgoin, Georgia Derby, Genevive Spelbring, Zelma Bays, Madge Dunagan, Marjorie Bada, Elizabeth Pullman with Leona Bays acting as guardian.

At their meetings the group gathered in a circle within the Wohelo Triangle formed naturally by three trees, where with due ceremony, the fire lighted. "Wohelo" was sung and the three candles for work, health, and love were lighted in the triangle. At the close of their meetings they would sing their camp fire song "Sheltering Flame."

Later Bernice Clipson, Alzo and Azel Anderson, Eldon Dovenspike, Ethel and Gretrude Speck, Gladys Speer joined the group.

In September 1918 the camp fire girls voted to collect fruit pits which were the refuse from everyones canning. The government wants them to use in making gas masks for the soldiers, for the carbon in them. Two hundred peach pits are required to produce enough carbon for one gas mask respirator.

On July 27, 1922 a group of Fontanelle Camp Fire Girls met at Phyllis Burgoin home to disband their organization. Several of the girls were finishing high school and leaving for college. A ceremonial meeting was held and the rank of Torch Bearer, the highest rank in the organization was given to Phyllis Burgoin. August 1938 the old group had a reunion. The old countbook was brought out from the guardian trunk and enjoyed. Those present were Marjorie Bada Hopp, Eldon Dovenspike Burgoin, Adah Howser, Georgia Derby and Leona Bays Gater.

In October 1935 a group of girls started a Camp Fire Girls organization and were entertained by their leader Miss Nadene Goy. The members of the club were; Naomi Frazier, Mabel Marr, Mary Clipson, Lucille Flammant, Margaret Riggins, Carol Schoening, Grace Hafer, Lorna Echternach, Wilma Pollitt, Alice Venable, Virginia Hendrix, and Ethel Pollitt.

Later they had two new members, Marian Carlson and Geraldine Rommel. They were still going in 1938, but disbanded later.

SOCIAL IMPROVEMENT CLUB

The officers of the Social Improvement Club were, President: Mrs. H.H. Huffaker and Secretary: Miss Blanche Rice. Some of the other members found were Mrs. J.L. Smith, Mrs. Borene, Mrs. Reeves, Mrs. George Piatt, Mrs. Della Moore, Mrs. Iola Sidner and Miss Georgia VanKirk.

The ladies of the S.I. Club entertained the ladies of the T.A. Club, February 22, 1907 at a Martha Washington Tea at Mr. and Mrs. H.H. Huffaker's. The home was a creation of national colors, red, white and blue and the beautiful carnations gave a desired effects.

The large bay window was adorned with a handsome cherry tree, it being a complete mass of foliage and cluster of bright red cherries. In the trunk of the tree was buried a hatchet. Each club lady wore a Martha Washington cap and shawl, also a badge of club colors crimson and white with one letter of the club name pinned on the badge, the letters all spelling "Social Improvement Club".

Mrs. Iola Sidner led the visitors to the bay window where by the famous George Washington cherry tree, Miss Georgia VanKirk presided at the punch bowl.

Each lady was presented with a crimson souvenir hatchet tied with white ribbon and "Martha Washington Tea" Feb. 22, 1907 written in white ink.

BOYS SCOUTS

An organization of Boy Scouts met in April 1918 and were attended not only by the boys desirous of enrolling also by business men. Officers chosen as follows: J.G. Flanagan, President; Art Bada, Vice-President; Sam C. Freiden, Secretary; R.P. Galt, Treasurer. A troop committee of three was selected, J.H. Hendrix, C.W. Sawyer, and J.R. Kurtz. For Scoutmaster R.P. Galt was chosen with Paul Flammant assistant. Fifteen boys over twelve years old signed the charter membership roll sheet.

Following are the members: Dale Speer, Spencer Little, Clarence Virtue, Maynard VanDyke, Roscoe VanDyke, Morris Stogill, Melvin Lawson, Ward Pullman, Carroll Wilson, Cecil Bada, Iven Goodman, Harland Hendrix, Joyce Freiden, Dean Goodman, Lester Davis, Lyman Bloom, Joe Kruse, Raymond Kruse and Edgar Derby.

In 1919 R.P. Galt resigned as scoutmaster and Rev. T.J. Reese was elected. The scouts went to Lake Manawa and spent one week camping. The time was spent exercising, foot racing, swimming, rowing and studying. Later Dean Dresler and Thurl Keese joined the scouts. In 1921 E.L. Spiller was Scoutmaster.

Sometime later the scouts discontinued till in September 1927, they organized another boys scout troop. Those members were Harold Galt, Reignald Hendrix, Chester Wallace, Vernon Felt, Royce Kent, Devolia Lamkin, John Corywin Parker, Neil Clay, Robert Ord, Ardath Long, Raymond Sell, Frank Clay, Shirley Hendrix, George Marshall, Loran Hogue, Roscoe Anderson, Albert Batten, Kenneth Frazier, Wilbert Bond and Eurel Anderson.

Junior Patrol, Max Clay, Stewart Anderson, Paul Wells, Rolland Pollitt, Woodrow Bachman, and Powell Anderson. The troop committee chairman R.P. Galt, F.W. Anderson and Rahy Paul, Rev. C.H. Wells, Rev. E.V. Felt, William Burgoin and Dr. J.G. McCue. The scoutmaster was E.F. Perdue, assistant scoutmaster C.A. Maddocks. Boys between ages of six and twelve could join the junior class, and boys between ages of twelve and eighteen in the senior class. Later Sheldon Hendrix joined. They took hikes, learned how to build fires with flint and steel. Had a demonstration of knot-tying.

In 1933 till 1935 the boys scout were organized again with Duane Hays, Kenneth Johnson, Vern Alda Wilkins, Junior Clipson, as officers and Mr. Arthur Luther scoutmaster. Scout council were Dr. C.O. Johnson, R.P. Galt and Ben Marlene. Later Wallace Pettit, Victor Hopkinson, Robert Bachman, Powell Anderson, and Donald Ord and scoutmaster was E.H. Anderson.

Then in April 1944 the scout reorganized again for about a year with Mr. Boucher as scoutmaster and LeRoy Anderson as assistant. On April 26, 1944 those interested in Scout work met at the Baptist Church, and Frank Barrus, District Boys Scout organizer of Shenandoah helped the Scouts here organize.

REPUBLICAN CLUB

The Republican Club was organized in the fall of 1943 at the home of Mrs. Grace Johnson and was discontinued in the fall of 1944.

The officers elected were; President, Mrs. Gearhart; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. Humston; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Lydia Anderson; and Reporter, Mrs. Susie Stewart. One of the meetings was held at the school house and the meeting was opened by Vivian Coffey playing the Star Spangled Banner, followed by the pledge to the flag. Senator Kenneth Evans gave a talk, and Mrs. Evans of Emerson gave some points on the work of the club. At the other meetings different members gave talks on subjects of interest.

JUNIOR FLOWER CLUB

Mrs. J.G. McCue organized a junior flower club in April 1929 with thirty-two children. The children had their own flower plots, and plant and cultivate annual flowers, all their own labor. In the fall these would be judged for the best and choicest blooms.

The first annual flower show was held in September 1930 with assortments of garden annuals and perennial flowers. The show was sponsored by the Junior Garden Club under the direction of Mrs. McCue.

The officers elected in April 1930 were Eloise Jones, President and Dorothy Clipson, Secretary. In June 1931, twenty-five junior flower club members with Mrs. McCue went to Shenandoah for the day visiting the flower fields and trial grounds. They went through K. F. N. F. and the club broadcasted a couple of songs. Those going were Helen and Junior Clipson, Sarah Jane and Gretchen Hill, Edna Deitchler, Albert, Joy and Fern Pickenpaugh, Eva Long, Gail and Gladys Mills, Lois Anderson, Esther, Ethel and Wilma Pollitt, Basil, Virginia and Geraldine Hendrix, Betty Parker, Mildred Hogue, Grace and Joyann Clipson, Charles and Jack Goodman and Paul Barnes. The club discontinued in 1931.

LOYAL LASSIES 4-H CLUB

A girl's 4-H club was started in the community in 1936. Mrs. Karl Mintle was the leader. A few meetings were held, but the organization did not hold together long. The Loyal Lassies Club as it is today was organized on January 11, 1941 at the home of its first president, Irene Maddocks. There were six charter members and Mrs. Dora Goos and Jean Burgoin Goos were the first leaders. Dora continued her leadership through the club year of 1946 and '47, and since has helped the club with demonstration teams and in many other ways.

The summer after the club was organized, the Loyal Lassies demonstration team won top honors at the Mills County Fair. The team members were Irene Maddocks and Virginia Hopp who demonstrated "A Cleaning Carriage for the Parlor." Again in 1942 this honor was given to two Loyal Lassies. This time they were Mary Clipson and Lucille Flammant who demonstrated "Handy Dandy Book Shelves." This team did not get to present their demonstration at the State Fair because it was during the war time when the fair was discontinued. Two other demonstrations team from the Loyal Lassies were sent to the State Fair. They were Rose Marie and Ilene Williams in 1946 who's demonstration was "Tomato Savor", and Marilyn Mintle and Margarite Burgoin in 1953 who demonstrated "Salads Satisfy." Both of these teams received blue ribbons at the State Fair.

Not only in demonstration have the Loyal Lassies excelled. In style review and better grooming contests, Irene Maddocks, Ilene Williams, and Rose Marie Williams were winners; and six girls-Irene Maddocks, Ilene Williams, Bonnie Kruse, Catherine Skerritt, Charlene Bryant, and Margarite Burgoin-have been county 4-H officers. Two of these Irene and Charlene were president. The club has sent delegates to 4-H camp and state convention nearly every year. Catherine Skerritt was selected to sing a solo at one of the assemblies at state convention in 1949.

It would be difficult to estimate the number of articles exhibited by the number at the local achievement shows and county fairs. There have been a good number of girls belong to the club through the years, and they have all received at least some of the worthwhile benefits of 4-H through the Loyal Lassies. The present membership is 14, and the officers are: President, Marlis Seipold; Vice President, Phyllis Martin; Secretary, Marilyn Mintle; Treasurer, Marianna Mintle; Historian, Waunita Bolte; Reporter, Roberta Stewart.

Being the leader of a 4-H club is not an easy job, and the leader deserves a great deal of credit for the success of a club. The Loyal Lassies' present leaders are Mrs. Garland Martin and Mrs. Karl Mintle. Others who have given generously of their time and effort to this job in the past are Waunita Slaughter Paxon, Irene Maddocks, Mrs. Ed. Kruse, Mrs. Ralph Skerritt and Mrs. Wallace Fornoff. As long as leaders, parents, and 4-H girls continue to co-operate in club work and to be conscious of the great value gained from 4-H, the Loyal Lassies will be prominent in the county organization and in the Silver City community.

COMMERICAL CLUB

The Commerical Club was organized in March 1913. The Pres. E.A. Stevesn; Vice-Pres., Maurice Kehoe; Sec., C.H. Patterson, Treas., J.G. Flanagan.

The club took up a subscription for the cyclone sufferers of \$188.97 was collected. Better roads were discussed. In 1914 the club held an Old Soldiers Reunion. 1915 and 1916 the Pres. was Dr. J.G. McCue; Vice Pres., J.G. Flanagan, Sec'y., J.W. Kruse, and Treas., C.G. Cater. In April 1915 the Commerical Club had a banquet at the Opera House with one hundred people present. A march was played by Horace Kehoe; Rev. E.L. Field was toastmaster. Hon H.H. Huffaker the "Father of Silver City." T.F. Plumb and Frank Pullman gave short talks. Mrs. F.W. Anderson sang a solo, accompanist was Mrs. J.G. McCue. A male Quartet composed of C.G. Cater, A.P. Reeves sang. Clara Plumb read an orginial poem. In 1917 G.A. Spelbring was President.

All business men were called together in Oct. 1919 to reorganize again, on account of the war the club was not in existence for awhile. By unanimous vote the name changed to Community Club. Officers elected were Pres. Harry Maddocks; Vice Pres., P.V. Plumb, Sec'y., A.P. Reeves and Treas., Maurice Kehoe. In 1920 the president was Harry Maddocks; Vice-Pres., C.W. Bays, Sec'y., A.P. Reeves and Treas., Maurice Kehoe.

The Community Club met in March 1921 and plans were made to have a circulating library. Rev. Spiller was appointed to send for books and A.P. Reeves was appointed custodian for the books, kept in his office.

The Club secured a small plot of ground on the right of way for a small park.

The Chamber of Commerce was organized Dec. 6, 1946 with 25 members present. An enthusiastic group of business men representatives from Glenwood Chamber of Commerce attended the meeting and were helpful in making suggestions for the year program. The officers elected for the year were: Pres., J.W. Parman, Vice-Pres., Dr. J.D. Lavender, Sec'y., Otto Buch, Treas., Shirley Hendrix. The Executive Committee was compsoed of Art Rommel, Marvin Pullman, and R.P. Galt. In 1947 interest in club was growing with 46 members and 14 guests present at one of the regular meetings at the club rooms of Gearhart Lumber Co. Mr. Parman, President appointed a committee on water system and street improvement, to improve the city.

GIRLS SCOUTS

A meeting was held at the Baptist Church on April 26, 1944 for those interested in Scout work. Misses Zada Cheney and Grace Clipson of Glenwood were present and helped inorganizing the Girl Scout Troop.

The Girl Scout was organized in, 1944 and was sponored by the Woman's Club. Mrs. Boucher was the first leader, for two years, and Miss Grace McNay was assistant leader for eight yrs., until the Girl Scouts discontinued in 1952.

As the girls finished certain lines of work as nature study, cooking, sewing or some bther work, they would earn badges. The girls that were scouts the first year were: Francis Clipson, Darlene Kelly, Emma Kirlin, Ida Kirlin, Carita Kruse, Jane Rew, Catherine Skerritt, Wava Stewart, Margaret Walter, Wilma Walter, Florence Hafer, and Jerry O'Conner. During the war the girls collected old paper and waste fats. Later the girls made Friendships bags to send a family in Norway and Holland, large packages of garden seeds; collected stamps for the wounded soldiers and butternut coffee strips for handicapped children for Christmas presents. The girls earned enough money to pay half of their way to camp for one week at Camp Wildwood and Camp Brewster different years.

Through the years other leaders were: Bernice Clipson, Willa Pullman, and Mrs. Elizabeth McMahon. Other girls that joined later were: Glenola Nelson, Charlotte Bailor, Karen Childs, Gwendolyn Childs, Gladys Knight, Jean Bailey, Mariann Pullman, Jo Ann Rew, Lois Ord, Leah Moore, Betty Pullman, Irene Jones, Delores McMahon, Helen Knickman, Deanne Hansen, Diane Roenfeldt, Janice Meeks, Joan Adair, Barbara Moore and Sharon Waller. Two girls who earned five years pins were Jane Rew and Karen Childs.



FRONT ROW: JoAnn Rew, Karen Childs, Betty Lou Pullman, Diane Roenfeldt, Janice Meeks Gwendolyn Childs, Irene Jones, Delores McMahon.
BACK ROW: Judy Childs, Deanna Hansen, Mariann Pullman, Wava Stewart, Jane Rew, Leah Moore, Helen Knickman.

WOMAN'S CLUB

The community club started a traveling library in the office of A.P. Reeve in March 1921 with fifty books to exchange for new ones every ninety days. In October of the same year a group of ladies met at Mrs. J.G. McCue to organize a Woman's Club. Miss Mary Ratlke and Mrs. M. Williams of Glenwood met with the ladies to help. A committee consisting of Mrs. Lydia Anderson, Mrs. Allie Humston and Mrs. Stella Pullman wrote the constitution, which was approved. Later in the month they met again and elected the following officers: President, Mrs. Ida McCue; Vice-President, Mrs. H.O. King; Secretary, Mrs. Lydia Anderson; and Treasurer, Mrs. M. Kehoe.

The third Tuesday of every month was the date set for their meetings. The club had twenty-two charter members which are as follows: Lydia Anerson, Estella Bays, Maxine Coburn, Laura Dunagan, Blanche Flanagan, Blanche Galt, Mae Huffaker, Allie Humston, Christa Hendrix, Kate Howser, H.O. King, M. Kehoe, Ida McCue, Alice Moore, Minnie Plumb, Bessie Parker, Stella Pullman, Addie Richardson, Nellie Sawyer, Myrtle Stranathan, Charlott Talboy and Julia Weston.

At another meeting they took in three new members, Helen Maddocks, Cecelia Van-Kirk, Olive Keesee and this enabled the club to join the Federation.

In February 1923 the Woman's Club took over the circulating library from the community club with A.P. Reeve acting as librarian. In 1924 the club met in their new room, the Pullman building, which was leased for two years. Library books were moved there with club members acting as librarian. In 1924 the club sponsored a chautauqua to raise money to buy a piano; held an art exhibit from University of Iowa; had a minstrel show. October 1926 the library moved to the City Hall and appointed Mrs. Clotida Lawson as librarian. Some of the things the club has sponsored different years are: served the Father and Son Banquet; had flower gardens in the park; one meeting had display of their family relics and antiques.

The spring of 1932 the club planted a George Washington tree, they held a service and the members names were placed in a bottle and planted with the tree. A Mother and Daughter Banquet was held in May 1938 and still have one every year at this time. Another project they sponsored was to have a permanent light placed near the depot; sponsored the Girl Scouts; every year the club entertains their husbands at a party.

The fall of 1950 the town council moved the City Hall, so they bought the Reeve building for a library. Later they moved over two thousand, fourhundred volumes of books to their new location and held open house.

A donation of a bookcase and books, from Mrs. Ida McCue estate, with the Dr. and Mrs. J.G. McCue picture was placed in the library as a memorial.

The fall of 1953 the club chartered a Greyhound bus and took a sightseeing trip to Boys Town, Joslyn Museum and other places of interest.

The librarians that have served through the years are: Mrs. Clotida Lawson, Mrs. Dora Clipson, Mrs. Bessie Parker, Mrs. Nellie Sawyers, Mrs. Ira Hays, Mrs. Pearl Piatt, and Mrs. Essie Kruse.

The officers serving for 1953-54 are:

President	Miss Ivan Lintner
Vice President	Mrs. Wallace Fornoff
Secretary	Mrs. Irene Childs
Treasurer	Mrs. Essie Kruse

Michael Miller, Mrs. Essie Kruse
librarian and Dickie Pullman.





Mrs. Albert Schoening
Mrs. Mary Goos
Miss Mary Parker
Mrs. J. G. McCue
Mrs. Maud Burgoin
Mrs. Ralph Skerritt

Mrs. Roy Stranathan
Mrs. R. K. Henderson
Mrs. J. T. Skerritt
Mrs. John Skinner
Mrs. Chas. Hammers
Mrs. Wm. Burgoin

FARM BUREAU

Farm Bureau was started in 1918 to organize, advance and improve the agricultural interests of Iowa, economically, educationally and socially through the united efforts of the County Farm Bureaus of the State. Mills County joined with this program and by November of 1920 every township was participating. Ingraham Township's first director was R. K. Henderson. William Burgoin was on the first Program Planning Committee and also served as Ingraham Township Director. Other men who have been directors or otherwise active are: J. A. Burgoin, Donald Goos, Ormand Goos, Earl Maddocks, Ralph Skerritt, Ralph Stewart, Harold Williams, Euel Anderson, and Earl Taylor, the present Director.

Agricultural representation was and still is the major justification for the birth of Farm Bureau; however service-to-member programs and educational programs also play an important part. Some of these programs in which Ingraham Township has participated, have included Farm Accounts, Income Tax, Legislation, Poultry Culling, Soil Conservation, Marketing, Soil Tests, Farm Management, Livestock Disease and its Control.

The Farm Bureau Womens' Program is a part of the Iowa Farm Bureau and the Extension Education program is carried out in cooperation with the Farm Bureau. Mrs. Roy Stranathan was the first leader of the Farm Bureau-Extension Education Program in Ingraham Township when these programs were started in 1922. Home-made dress forms, sewing, nutrition, home furnishing, and other programs planned to make the rural home a better place to live, were among the first projects. Mrs. Dora Goos was Mills County Farm Bureau Women's Chairman for several years. Others who have been leaders or otherwise active are Mrs. R. K. Henderson, Mrs. J. T. Skerritt, Mrs. John Skinner, Mrs. Chas. Hammers, Mrs. William Burgoin, Mrs. Albert J. Schoening, Mrs. Mary Goos, Mrs. Ralph Skerritt, and Mrs. Glenn Skerritt. Mrs. Earl Maddocks, Mrs. Ed. Kruse, Mrs. Earl Taylor, Miss Mary Parker, Mrs. J. G. McCue, Mrs. Maude Burgoin. They also worked with Oak and Silver Creek Townships.

EVERGREEN FRIENDSHIP CLUB

The Evergreen Club originally started as a birthday club, with the ladies calling on various friends and neighbors on their birthday. In 1947, the club was organized under the leadership of Mrs. Lillie Robertson, and given the name "Evergreen Friendship Club". It has a membership of twenty-two. The main purpose of the club was getting to know one's neighbors a little better. Cards, flowers and gifts are sent to the sick, and a helping hand is given when needed.

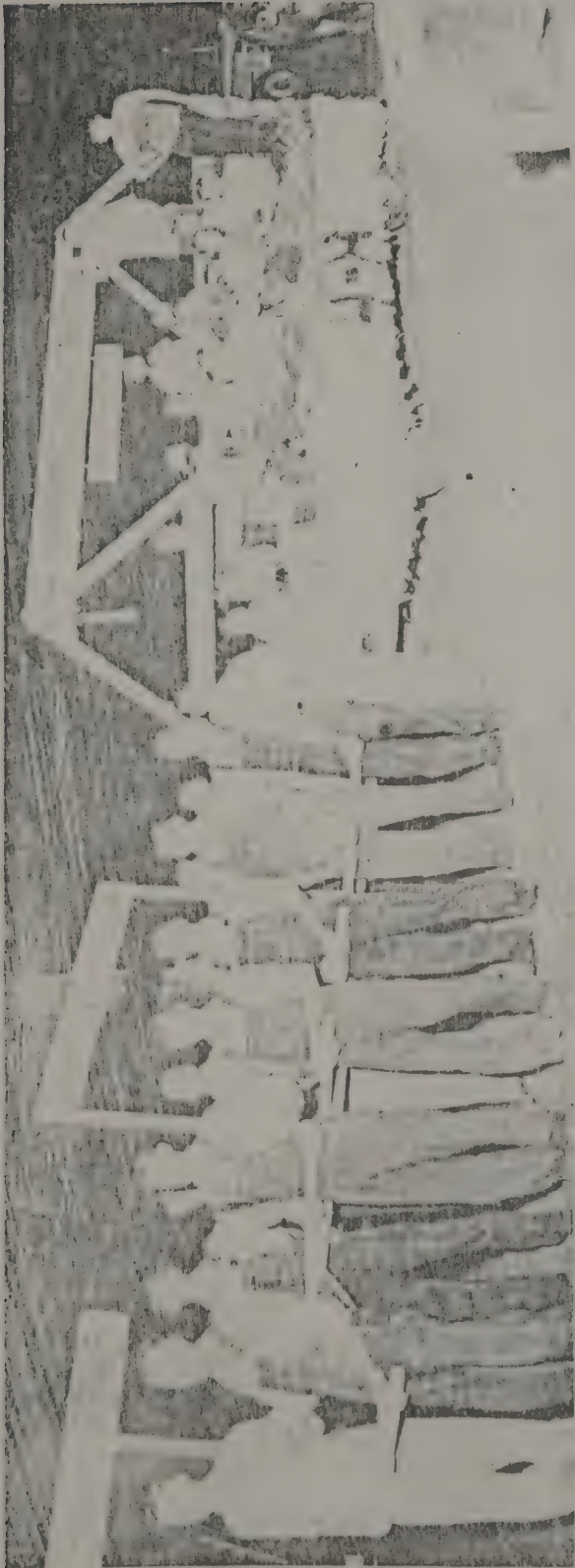
Lillie Robertson was elected and served as president for five years, and was succeeded in 1952 by Belma Schultz.

The club had a food stand at the fourth of July celebration in 1951-52 to raise funds. A chair was given to the Methodist Church in 1953.

Mrs. Alfred Brandt served as president last year. A donation of twenty-five dollars was given to the P. T. A. in 1953 to help pay for the public system. Officers for 1954 are: President, Mrs. George Miller; Vice-President, Mrs. Gene Buffington; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. Glen Bolte.

It is hoped that more money can be raised this year and many contributions made to worthwhile causes in the future.

Ingraham Straight Shooters



- BACK ROW: LeRoy Schoening, Dick Bolte, Cecil Williams, Edwin Schoening, Billy Mass, Gerald Kruse, Rolland Franke, George Marshall, Robert Stewart.
- MIDDLE ROW: Clyde Bond, Gordon Williams, Charles Kruse, Fred Techau, Conrad Knickman, Jimmy Miller, Dale Anderson, Gary Miller.
- FRONT ROW: Bob Malcolm, Charlene Bond, Roberta Stewart, Waunita Bolte, Carol Sue Swarts, Larry Stortenbecker.
- ABSENT: Dwight Fieselman and Kieth Mintle.

The Fathers of the 4-H Club members who are pulling the float are from left to right: Wayne Stewart, Harvey Bolte, leaders, Arthur Miller, Glen Franke, Euel Anderson, Darwin Miller, John Swarts, Conrad Kruse, Harry Adams, John W. Mass, Fred Techau, Wilbert Bond, Albert Schoening and William H. Williams.

INGRAHAM STRAIGHT SHOOTERS

The Ingraham Straight Shooters 4-H Club started in the fall of 1944 by Willis Fogle, High School Superintendent. There were seven members the first year with Robert Kruse, as first president. Other clubleaders were - Rew Burgoin, Robert Kruse, Harold Skerritt, Harvey Bolte, and Wayne Stewart. The Officers for 1953 are: Richard Bolte, President; Clyde Bond, Vice-President; Gene Williams, Secretary and Treasurer; Waunita Bolte, Reporter. At the present the membership is twenty-five.

Under the direction of two adult leaders, Harvey Bolte and Wayne Stewart, the Straight Shooters have achieved many commendable records in 4-H Club activities. They had three demonstration teams at Iowa State Fair: 1952 - Fire Safety by Gerald Kruse and Jack Anderson; 1953 - Live Stock Conservation by Clyde Bond and Richard Bolte; Farm Safety by Edwin Schoening and Billy Mass. Harvey Bolte was awarded the Leadership Award, Mills County-1953. The Club won the Herdsmanship Award in Mills County for 1952-53. The Ingraham Straight Shooters is the only Boys Clubs in Mills County to receive the State Gold-Seal of Achievement Award for both 1952 and 1953 achievements. In order to receive this award the club has to meet four requirements: (1) hold at least ten regular meetings during the year, (2) have an individual or team demonstration given at a public meeting in the community or a judging team in a county or district judging contest, (3) make an exhibit at county or achievement show, (4) have at least 85% of the members complete their projects and file reports in county extension office. Note: This club had 100% record books turned in and 99% of projects shown at Mills County Fair. 1953 record. The club has won fifteen County awards since 1952. The club took first place with their float at the 1953 Mills County Fair; this was quite an honor as there was very keen competition. They received thirty dollars cash award. This club also have a few girls who take an active part.



President Richard Bolte
Vice-President Clyde Bond
Secretary and Treasurer Cecil Williams
Reporter Waunita Bolte



SILVER CITY MERCHANTS AT ONE OF THE

- FALL FESTIVALS
- 1ST ROW: (Kneeling) Reno Moore, Shirley Hendrix, George Carlson, Clifford Stewart, Ben Wheatly, Shorty Burgoin, assit marshall.
- 2ND ROW: (Standing) C. H. Kruse, Kenneth McMahan, Walter Parmna, Mrs. W. Parman, Waunita Kruse, Harvey Deitchler, Bill Rodabaugh, Iowa Power & Light Co. Rep. Henry Rommel, Marshall.
- 3RD ROW: Art Hafer, R. P. Galt, Art Rommel, Joe Kruse, W. A. Wilkins, Mayor.
- 4TH ROW: F. W. Anderson, Bob Childs, Mrs. Bob Childs, Clyde Piatt, Tom Talboy.

ACTIVITIES IN SILVER CITY

The Silver City Merchants held several Fall Festivals during the 1930's. There were kings and queens, parades and free entertainments each afternoon and evening with all carnvial attractions, Floral Hall etc. The Volunteer Fire Dept. and American Legion also sponsored one or two such celebrations.

In the early days "Lecture Course" were held in the Pullman Hall every winter. They consisted of Lectures, Musical Groups, etc. being one evenings entertainment per month during the winter months.

Silver City also had a 5 day Chautauqua each summer for about 15 years.

Beginning in 1910 a Corn Show was held for a 2 or 3 day period in the Fall or early winter in the Pullman Hall. All kinds of vegetables and fruit, canned and fresh, grains, foods and fancy work were displayed and judged. These were also held over a period of years.

DRAMATIC CLUB

The Silver City Dramatic Club was organized in 1899, for the purpose of producing home talent plays, which while entertaining the public would also bring financial benefit to individuals, lodges, the cemetery association, bands and other groups needing this assistance. This club survived on down through the years until circumstances beyond the members control caused its disbandment in the 1930's. To say that many individuals and groups benefited from the efforts of these unselfish men and women would be an understatement. And indeed it was with deep regret that many of us saw the disinterest of the citizens in the home talent plays produced especially on Memorial evenings for the benefit of the Cemetery Association. Many of us would welcome them back.

It would be an impossible task to list all of the citizens who belonged to the Dramatic Club during its long years of service but here follows an incomplete list of those seen most often taking part in the plays: Ola Sidener, George Sidener, Thomas Plumb, Al Rains, Jake Heide, F.W. Anderson, Rowan Kurtz, Al Poole, Bob Bates, Grace Veva, Grace Kinney Beebe, Charles Kinney, Bess Pinkney, Lydia Anderson, Hazel, Veda and Gail Moore, Frank Bosworth, Stella Pullman, Katie and Grover Goos, Estell, Clyde and Hudson Piatt, Anna, Clara and Alice Plumb, Philo Towers, Bert Moore, Emma Huffaker Sadie, Clark, Ruth, Paul and Alice Reeve, Earl Bryant, Supt. Woodrum and John Cummingham, Agnes Samuelson, Guy and Bessie Parker, Mabel McCoy, George Masters, Gail and Ward Burgoin, Bill Kruse, Willo Coburn. Mr. and Mrs. Dovenspike, Olive Keesse, Paul Spelbring, Ethel and Fern Skerritt, Nellie Borene, Nettie McMicheal, Ethel Burgoin, Elton Landon, Roy Flanagan and many, many others.



Leona Hostetter, Anna VanKirk, Wave Pullman,
Irene Heide, Cecil Rains.



Mildred and Beatrice VanKirk



Cecil Rains, Leona Hostetter, Don and Lloyd Pettit, Clarence Virtue, Anna
VanKirk, Irene Heide.



Gladys Hostetter, Fae Bryant and Earl Bryant



TOP ROW: Mark Swarts, J. G. McCue, Harry Leith, John Taylor, August Kruse, Frank Bosworth, John Hettinger.
 CENTER ROW: E. A. Stevens, F. W. Anderson, Adolph Schultz, G. A. Spelbring, W. B. Oaks, R. W. Clipson.
 BOTTOM ROW: Wm. Pullman, W. H. Burrows, Guy Richards, Frank Hettinger, J. C. Jackson, Ray Sidener, D. L. Markel.

SILVER CITY MUSICAL ORGANIZATIONS

Silver City has several musical organization some of which were well known throughout Southwestern Iowa. The earliest account was of a string orchestra directed by Prof. Smith in 1897. Members listed were Messrs: Leith, Hepler, McCue, and Bates and Mesdames Oaks, Hepler, and Leith.

A band directed by Frank Hart practiced in the depot. Some of the members were George Bada, Albert Bada, Ed Swarts, Frank Swarts, Mark Swarts, W. B. Oaks, A. P. Reeves, Wm. Burrows and Fritz Konkell.

In 1898 a martial band composed of Charles Mears, J. B. Heide and Guy Pettit played in different parts of town. The boys aroused much enthusiasm and cheers were given for Admiral Dewey and the Stars and Strips.

The following year a martial band was organized with these members: Charles Mears, Reno Moore, J. D. Heide, Charles Joseph, Frank Pettit, E. Perkins, Guy Richards, George Bosworth and Herby Richmond. They played at reunions of Civil War Veterans.

Also in 1898 the Silver City Cornet Band was founded. Prof. Kuhn of Council Bluffs came to instruct this band of nineteen members. Much community support was in evidence as various band benefit entertainments were given. In the news items of 1900 we read of Prof. Bosco and his musical Vaudeville performing in the Opera House as a money making project for the benefit of the new band.

This band was prominent among the forty bands which played at the celebration in Council Bluffs honoring the returning company L from the Spanish American War.

The Silver City Times Editor states that the white uniforms of the Cornet Band, while cheap, made a good showing and a excellent contrast from the others. The band appreciated the hospitality shown it in Council Bluffs.

Because of the growing success of these musicians, they leased the Pullman Opera House as a place to practice.

Summer open-air concerts were given in the band stand which was located on the south east side on main street with only a roadway between it and the business buildings. This band stand was torn down in 1923.

In the July 1902 Times it states that the band would be highly pleased if "de gang" of kids would hunt some place else for their war dances on Saturday evenings besides right around the band stand.

For a time T. D. Collins manager of the Oxford Hotel, instructed a juvenile band of twenty-five members. Practice was held twice a week in the Agan Building. Mr. Collins had composed several piano selection and was considered a musician of ability.

In the early years of century, the Silver City Band furnished music for many festivities. Among these were the Malvern Fourth of July Celebrations, Aksarben in Omaha, Glenwood Apple Carnival, Mills county Fair, Mills County Chautauqua, and Glenwood Chautauqua.

Prof. Kuhn was succeeded by G. A. Spelbring as director. The band was then known as Spelbrings Concert Band. Members were: Mark Swarts, Edwin Hettinger, J. B. Taylor, August Kruse, Leslie Richardson, John Hettinger, George McDermott, F. W. Anderson, Chester Francis, W. B. Oaks, R. W. Clipson, Wm. Pullman, W. H. Burrows, Frank Bosworth, Frank Hettinger, J. C. Jackson, Ray Sidener and D. L. Markel.

New uniform were purchased. They consisted of dark trousers, dark blue coats with gold braid and gold colored buttons, and blue caps. Later white caps were worn.

For many years Mr. Spelbring most capably directed the band. He was ever alert to the band sneed of new members. A local paper of 1915 says that Mr. Spelbring had started a twenty-five piece band and would like twelve to fifteen more players. It was an opportunity for boys to learn music which few instructor would offer.

Again in 1920 a class of beginners was started. A membership committee was appointed to assist this class, Band officers chosen were: President - Adolph Schultz, Secretary - Paul Spelbring, Treasurer - Mark Swarts, Manager - J. C. Jackson, Librarian - George McDermott.

An orchestra conducted by George Piatt furnished music for dances and public entertainments in Silver City and near-by towns for several years. In the beginning the orchestra members were the Piatt family: Mr. Piatt and sons Clyde, Estel, and Hudson and daughter, Georgia.

Later Mr. Piatt's orchestra included other musicians. It was sometimes called the "George" orchestra. George Schoening played cornet, George McDermott-trombone, George Piatt - Violin and Georgia Piatt - Piano.



SPELBRING'S ORCHESTRA - 1917

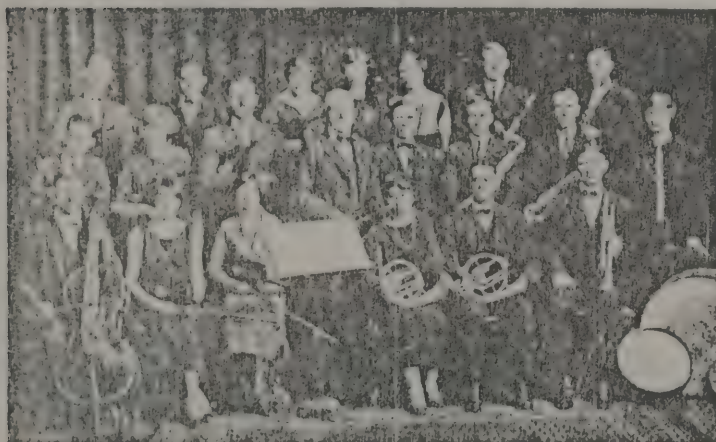
FRONT ROW: Margaret Spelbring, Morris Stogdill, Fern Spelbring, Cecil Bada, Victor Stranathan, Virgil Frazier, Emil Meyer, Horace Kehoe, Adolph Schultz, Paul Spelbring, Yandall Seaton, Clarence Virtue, Spencer Little, Floyd Lawson.

BACK ROW: Ralph Lawson, George McDermott, Mark Swarts, G. A. Spelbring, John Hettinger, George Mosley, J. C. Jackson, Jim Pullman, Carl Meyer, Kenneth Lawson, John Moore.



SPELBRING'S BAND AT THE
MALVERN FAIR 1903

Floyd Wasson, Frank Anderson, Harry Leith, Ray Sidener, W. B. Oaks,
John Hettinger, J. C. Jackson, Wm. Pullman, G. A. Spelbring, Chester Francis,
W. A. Burrows, George McDermott, Frank Bosworth, Allen Bosworth, Allen Hettinger,
Conrad Kruse, Mark Swarts, George Tucker, John Taylor.



Spelbring's Concert Orchestra of Mills County
Director-G. A. Spelbring

VIOLINS: L. W. Bichel, Mr. Hamake, June M. Fickel,
Herman Peters, Arlu Bichel, Mrs. M. S. Campbell,
Ethel Burgoin, Eleanor Galt.
CLARINETS: M. D. Severns, Cliff Plumb.
HORNS: Clarence A. Barnes, Mrs. G. W. Wilson,
Mrs. Hugh McSweeney.
CELLO: C. E. Wilson
TROMBONE: C. E. Boyer
SAXOPHONES: R. L. South, Glen Sowers, C. F.
Barnes.
PIANIST: Margaret Spelbring
DRUMS: Fern Spelbring
VOCAL SOLOIST: Mrs. June M. Fickel.



MRS. R. P. GALT
Pianist, piano teacher
Choir leader M. E. Church



JOHN CLIPSON
Tenor soloist U. S. Marine Band



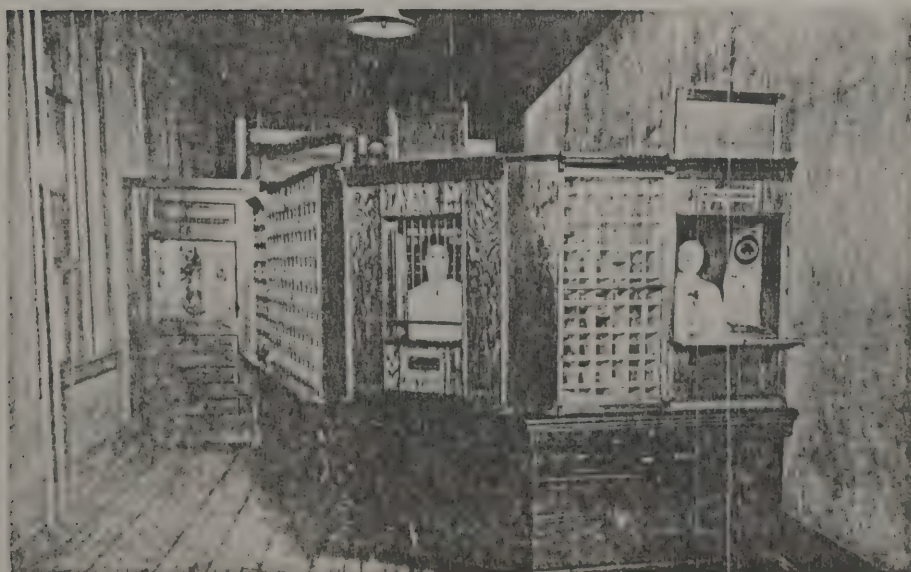
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Pearl Burrows, Frankie Burrows.

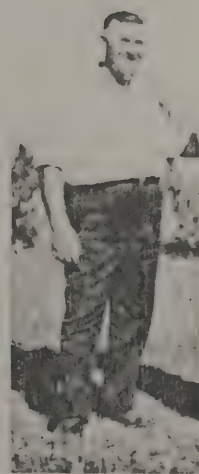


Roy Cady



Ethel McReynolds, Postmaster

Laura McReynolds, Clerk



Charles Saar

STREET LIGHTS OF SILVER CITY

The following articles with dates of appearing in issues of the Silver City Times tells the story of the early kerosene street lights in our town:

We understand that the Mayor of the City instructed Silas Morse to visit Chicago for the purpose of selecting street lamps for our city, also if he failed to find the proper lamp and figures in Chicago, he shall pass on to New York and when his selection of lamps is made he is instructed to wire Major for the purchase price. 6-10-1897.

Silver City will soon have a good supply of street lights. Silas Morse has returned from his eastern trip, and we understand that the lights will arrive in a few days by fast freight. 6-24-1897.

City Ordinance No. C

An ordinance to establish lamps on public streets and at crossings of the same in Silver City Iowa. Be it ordained by the town Council of Silver City, Ia.

Sec. 1. That the town council shall buy and put up on suitable posts, not less than 6 street lamps where council may order, and may extend the number at any time by a majority vote of said council.

Sec. 2. The town council is hereby authorized by a majority vote of said council to levy a special tax on all of the taxable property within the incorporated limits of said town to buy and maintain lamps in the foregoing section.

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall take effect at the expiration of 5 days after publication of same.

F. G. Day
Recorder

M. E. Huffaker
Mayor

date-8-12-1897

An ordinance has been passed and a levy made for the purpose of securing and maintaining street lights in our city. The lamps to be purchased will be of the time variety, and be set so as to be extinguished at any hour desired. 8-26-1897

George P. Pullman, a member of the city council of Silver City went to Council Bluffs yesterday to purchase new street lamps. We can now look for them to be put up and in running order in a few days. 10-21-1897.

Ordinance No. 36

Sec. 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons, to tie, hitch or fasten any animal or animals of any kind, either hitched or unhitched to any wagon, buggy, car or vehicle of any kind to any of said lamp posts on public streets of Silver City, Iowa.

Sec. 2. That no person or persons, minor or adult, shall meddle or interfere in any way or manner whatsoever, light or cause to go out, break any of said lamps (except authorized persons.)

Sec. 3. That any person or persons, minor or adult, violating same shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and when found guilty shall be fined not to exceed \$10. nor less than \$1. with all costs and shall stand committed until such fines and costs are paid.

Sec. 4. That this ordinance shall take effect at the expiration of 5 days after publication of same.

H. Dresler
Recorder

M. E. Huffaker
Mayor

dated 2-14-1898

The committee appointed on locating and buying the new street lamps have decided that 5 are needed and will be located as follows: one on the corner by Geo. Swarts residence, one at M. J. VanKirks, one at L. W. Huffakers, one at A. P. Reeves and one near the depot. This will make an addition in lighting our town. 5-5-1898.

And so Silver City had kerosene street lamps. They were not of the time variety as stated in an article above, but they were maintained by C. A. Rommel for many years.

THE NEW GAS PLANT

The new gas plant is now completed, and everything running nicely. It was turned over to Messrs. Pearson and Hepler today, and they seem to be well pleased with the new light, and well they should, for it produces a clear, bright and powerful light, cheaper than Kerosene, not even considering the vast difference in the lights. The rooms that will be lighted by this new process are as follows: Pearson's store room, including opera house, and L. W. Huffaker's office rooms, John Pullman's implement room, M. O. Hanks & Co. drug store, Hepler's store room, Bada's meat market building, The Bank building, including Moore and McCue's office, and the Lodge room, Sederburg's furniture store and the post office. This covers the entire east side of the square, and all are more than pleased. From here the company sends their men to Hastings to work up a similar plant. If successful our neighboring town of Hastings cannot but be pleased.

Reference: Silver City Times, 1-26-1899

ELECTRIC LIGHT

Taken from the Times July 13, 1911 - Silver City stands a splendid chance of getting electric lights if the thing is pushed. The idea is to run a wire from Malvern or Glenwood. A committee was appointed by the city council to go to Tabor to investigate the lights there. Those in the party were M. Kehoe, W. H. Burrows, M. E. Huffaker and J. G. Flanagan.

In August 1911 - An Ordinance No. 52 granting right of way to the Silver City Electric Light and Power, its successors or assigns to erect and maintain the necessary fixture and apparatus to supply electric current for all purpose to the city.

Sept. 1911 - Silver City is to get out of the "dinky" class and have electric lights just as soon as they can be installed. It was so decided at a special election Monday when the voters cast their ballots in favor of granting a franchise to the Silver City Electric Light and Power Company.

Dec 1911 - The Silver City Electric Light and Power Company has a large force of men at work setting poles. We predict that in 30 days time electric lights will be used in Silver City.

The Silver City Electric Light Company ran their first advertisement. It said "Use Electric Lights". Better than old fashioned kerosene lamps and less bother than gasoline, no lamps to clean and fill, or wicks to trim. No danger from explosions, all you have to do is turn the switch.

SILVER CITY FIRE OCT. 19, 1882

Between 1 and 2 o'clock on the morning of the 19th a fire broke out in the heart of the business part of Silver City, and in a remarkably brief time seven of her best business buildings, with almost their contents, were licked up by the "devouring element." The news of the disaster having reached Malvern a few hours later, a Republican Leader scribe repaired to the scene of the conflagration at once, and gained the following full particulars.

The fire was discovered by Dr. Moore and Mr. Ed Morse, who occupied a sleeping room off from the office, which adjoined the post-office building on the south. These gentlemen retired at a late hour, and had not fallen asleep when they heard a roaring noise which caused them to get up and look around the premises. Upon looking in the front of the post-office they discovered the fire in the partition wall between that building and Dickman Brothers saloon on the north. They immediately gave the alarm, broke in the door and set to work to subdue the flames. A few minutes hard work sufficed to show that the fire was beyond human control. Nevertheless the citizens labored heroically and persistently to save what they could. The post-office was in about the center of the burnt district, the fire having spread rapidly in each direction. To the north it burned two buildings owned by Dickman Bros. the first one occupied by them as a saloon, with a family living overhead; the second one occupied by Guthrie & Mandeville with an extensive stock of general merchandise. To the south of the post-office, the flames licked up in rapid succession, Dr. Moore's office, H. Kry's boot and shoe store, Ed Oney's restaurant, Geo. Pullman's meat market and a barber shop. When it became apparent that nothing could be saved south of the post-office, the energies of the people were turned to saving L.W. Russell's & Co.'s building on the north. Hintz's saloon stood between Russell's store and the burning buildings on the south, and a vacant lot lay just south of the saloon. Hence, by keeping this saloon dripping wet, it and Russell's & Co.'s building and stock were saved. Under the cool headed management of John Hettinger, however, Russell & Co.'s entire stock of goods was removed from the building

THE LOSSES

Following are the losses, with amounts of loss and insurance.

Guthrie & Mandeville, Mdse, \$13,000; insurance \$4,000

Crosby & Anter, buildings and stock, \$4,000; insurance \$2,250.

Dickman Bros. saloon and two buildings, \$2,500; insurance \$1,600.

H. Kay, boots and shoes, stock and buildings, \$1,900; insurance \$850.

Ed Oney, restaurant, building and stock, \$2,200; insurance \$1,200

Pullman meat market, \$350; no insurance.

Dr. Moore, stable and office contents \$300; no insurance

Total loss, \$24,350; insurance \$10,200.

Barber shop, \$100; no insurance.

CINDERS

The ladies worked nobly. Dr. Moore lost \$30 in gold. Our worthy young friend McCall lost his entire law library, seal, etc. The post-office will be in the Jno. Hanson & Co. store for the present.

An absence of wind was all that saved the destruction of every building north of the railroad track.

The loss falls heaviest on Guthrie and Mandeville, who had only been in the City a short time. They carried a very heavy stock of goods and were working up a fine trade. Postmaster Crosby saved the books of the office and \$170 worth of stamps, which were in a safe. He lost all his blanks, 1900 postal cards and about \$10 worth of loose stamps.

Charles Runnels, a young man with a wooden leg, who was sleeping over the post-office came near losing his life. He did not awaken until nearly suffocated, and was rescued with great difficulty. His clothes and faithful "peg leg" were destroyed.

Reference: Malvern Republican Leader, Oct. 20, 1882

Reprinted by Silver City Times, June 2, 1919.

Item furnished Times by Mrs. J. J. Taylor.

DISASTROUS FIRE

Silver City has again been visited by a disastrous fire. A few minutes after one o'clock this morning fire was discovered in Pullman and Hettinger's hardware department, which fanned by a fierce north wind soon enveloped both buildings in flames. It soon became evident that nothing on the east side of the street could be saved, and the efforts of the hose company and citizens were turned toward saving the buildings west of the street and to saving the goods and household furniture in the doomed buildings. The flames swept on and in a short time the entire business block was consumed and was only checked after destroying the Tremont house.

Towards the last the efforts of the fire company were centered upon the lumber office and sheds belonging to C.G. Greenwood & Co. and the livery barn just across the alley from the Tremont house, and it was only after a desperate struggle that they were saved. Had they caught fire the entire residence portion of the City on the east side would most certainly have been destroyed.

The scene this morning is a most gloomy one. What was yesterday a block of business houses, all doing a lively business is today a mass of smoldering ruins. But had it not been for the heroic work done by the hose company, and by all citizens, with a few exceptions the damage would have been much greater.

The losses so far as we have been able to learn at this early hour, are in the neighborhood of \$45,000 divided as follows:

Pullman & Hettinger on stock \$20,000, insurance \$13,000.

George Pullman on building \$6,000, insurance \$4,000.

C. Plumer on building \$1,000, no insurance.

Robert Caldwell, furniture, clothing etc. about \$300, also \$240 in currency.

E.C. Hepler on building and household goods \$1400, insurance on building \$600.

H.C. Mass on building and stock \$2000, insurance \$450.

F. Kunkle on building and stock \$1000, insurance \$400.

Henry Dressler on household goods amount unknown.

Silver City Bank on building and furniture \$300, insurance \$100.

W.A. Ellis on building and goods about \$3000, fully insured on stock only and partially on building.

J.C. Christy loss \$1800, insurance \$500 each on building and stock.

L. Hettinger on building and household goods \$1200 to \$1500 insurance \$800.

Dr. J.N. Agan lost all his instruments, library etc.

Drs. Moore and McCue saved a large share of their office furniture and instruments, loss about \$500.

Of course these amounts may not be correct but are as nearly so as can be learned at present.

The buildings occupied by Pullman & Hettinger will in all probability be rebuilt. The others who will rebuild as far as known at present are H.C. Mass, Silver City State Bank, J.C. Christy, and probably W.A. Ellis.

The fire is supposed to have been of incendiary origin as the fire appeared to those first on the ground to have been started on the outside of the building, and the belief is strengthened from the fact that several tramps were noticed in town after dark last night. And also that someone broke into the depot during the night, tore open the money drawer and secured 15 to 20 cents in pennies. Agent Owens is not one to leave his money in such an insecure place. One thing is certain if any of those tramps had been found this morning it would have been to his interest to have given a pretty straight account of himself.

Reference: The Silver City News, Silver City, Mills Co. Iowa
Thursday, November 12, 1891.

SILVER CITY AGAIN VISTED BY FIRE

About 10 o'clock Friday night parties going home from the hall discovered fire at the rear end of the building occupied by the drug firm of Wm. Skillcorn & Co. The alarm of fire was given and in a very short time a large crowd was on the grounds and began the struggle with the fiery elements. A stream of water was soon pouring upon the flames which were almost extinguished in a few minutes and when those present began to think the fight almost over the hose burst in several places and became almost useless. The flames rapidly gained headway and it soon became apparent that the row of buildings must go, and the work of removing goods began.

The flames soon enveloped the building and then spread to those adjoining. Those on the south consumed were the J. J. Taylor building, occupied by A. A. Seargrave, dry goods; the Swanson building, now owned by Council Bluffs parties, and occupied by B. S. Weidner, harness and W. G. Moore, drugs, the next and last was owned by Mrs. Madocks, the lower floor of which was occupied by Mrs. Taylor, while the rooms above were used as a residence by O. Shelton and wife.

North of where the fire started was the H. C. Mass building. George Garner occupied the lower room as a pool room and the rooms above were used by J. T. Finchem and Mrs. and Mrs. Charles Johnson for dwelling purposes. Next came the Silver Star hotel property and here the flames were checked by keeping the building thoroughly saturated, and almost entirely covered with wet blankets and by tearing out a portion of the north wall of the Mass building the fire was prevented from spreading further.

A large portion of the contents of the buildings were saved with the exception of Skillcorn & Co's stock, which was almost if not quite a total loss.

We have been unable at this early hour to obtain a list of the insurance but find that a majority of the buildings and goods were reasonably well protected.

The bucket brigade did noble service and deserve much credit for their work, the citizens generally doing their utmost, but as is usual in such cases there were several parties who were too busy to do anything but stand around in the way of those who were willing to work. It is a wonder that such persons are allowed to breathe and the expressions of contempt concerning several parties this morning does not speak well for their standing in this community. The News regrets to acknowledge that such people are here, but it is a fact never the less.

The heat was so intense that several large window lights in the buildings across the street were broken.

It is not known if any of the parties will rebuild, but they will decide in a few days.

Several parties during the fire were over come by the heat and excitement and required the services of a physician to bring them around again.

The rain which had fallen during the early part of the evening dampened the buildings so that the fire burned slowly allowing more time for the removal of goods.

From the appearance of the fire when first seen the general opinion is that the fire was of incendiary origin as the fire had all the appearance having started on the outside and it would not be healthy for the perpetrator to be found here today.

Reference: Silver City News-Special Edition -1-20-1894 property of W.S. Hammons
Reprinted in Silver City Times 8-4-1932

EARLY MORNING BLAZE CLEANS OUT BUILDINGS

Fire broke out about four o'clock Saturday morning in the pool hall on the west side of main street and in an hour's time three business buildings were in ashes.

The small frame building occupied by Cassius E. Soliday as a pool hall was about the center of the block next adjoining the barber shop, a brick building.

Next adjoining the pool hall was an old frame structure built years ago and used for a time as a hotel, the front part of which A.P. Reeve has been using for his real estate office. The building next to this was put up four or five years ago for a garage. For the past year or so it has been occupied by Frank Anderson as an implement storage warehouse. These three buildings were entirely consumed. The last named structure was frame with steel metal veneer, as was the pool hall, the other was frame.

J.H. Peterson who rooms over the drug store across the street a half block away, was awakened by the smell of smoke. He investigated, and discovered flames coming from the pool hall building, and made a run for the fire bell. In a short time the town was aroused, and the little chemical engine was in action. Too much headway had been gained however to save the buildings, and all efforts were directed to checking the fire at the blacksmith shop building, which is brick. In the meantime volunteer help carried out the office furniture of A.P. Reeve, and also emptied the building next to it of its contents-mostly implements belonging to F.W. Anderson. Nothing was saved in the pool hall where the fire broke out. To be safe most of the blacksmith tools and stock was also carried out, the property of C.H. Burdick.

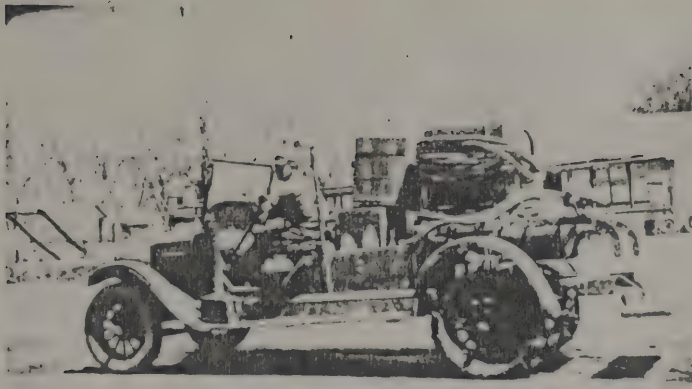
Had the fire not been checked at this point there would have been cleaning clear on up the street, which would have taken in the F.W. Anderson general store, the Anderson garage south of the store, and the J.H. Peterson garage. The early morning was still, which probably saved a complete wipe out of this side of the street.

Malvern and Glenwood both sent their fire fighting chemical engines an alarm having been sent them when it began to look as if the whole street was in danger, they responded promptly, though by the time they arrived our own force had the fire under control, stopping it at the brick wall of the blacksmith shop. Council Bluffs also started out with one of their fire wagons, but were intercepted and turned back after they had run five miles out.

No insurance was carried on any of the property destroyed. The rate on this class of buildings was high, so the owners carried the risk themselves. The loss falls on C.E. Soliday, pool hall building and contents, J.C. Jackson and Richard Bada owners of the old frame building, and Mrs. Alta Pullman, owner of the garage building-loss respectively about \$800, \$800, and \$1200.

How the fire started is not known. Cassius Soliday and family had gone on a trip to Indiana a few days before, and George Soliday, C.E.'s father was attending the business in his absence. The place was closed about ten o'clock, and of course no fire had been in the building at this time of year. The cause of the fire will probably never be explained.

Reference: Silver City Times, 7-22-1920



Chemical Fire Engine 1926



Present Fire Engine



PRESENT FIREMEN

TOP ROW: Jack Burgoin, Arnold Kiersch, Jasper Coates, Detlef Prien and Harvey Deitchler.
BOTTOM ROW: Shirley Hendrix, Clifford Moore and Kenneth McMahan, Fire Chief.

SILVER CITY FIRE COMPANY

There was in the early days the usual volunteer bucket brigades and later the fire hose Co. This inadequate equipment, but the best available at the time, was no doubt responsible for the several very disastrous fires of the town.

The first notice we could find of an organized Fire Co. was in the Silver City Times of 2-3-1898 which listed the following officers: Pres., M.E. Huffaker; Vice Pres., Charles Mears; Foreman, R.W. Clipson, Ass't. Foreman, Charles Joseph, Sec'y., John Pullman, Treas., A.P. Reeve.

Just how long this fire co. lasted is not certain and of course its means of fighting fires was the old fire hose and hose cart familiar to many of the older residents of today.

In the Silver City Times of 7-21-1910 we find a Fire Co. organized with the following officers and members: Pres., Mayor M.E. Huffaker, Sec'y., A.P. Reeve, Chief, Frank Pullman, other members: C.W. Sawyer, John Coons, F.W. Anderson, Roy McCurdy, John Tucker, J.R. Kurtz, Clark Reeve, Frank Rommel.

In the 9-8-1910 issue of "The Times" the town council decided to buy a new chemical Fire Engine for \$675. This chemical fire engine had been demonstrated here earlier and on earlier vote 8-12-1910 had rejected the engine, however this later vote was carried as follows; Yeas-Flanagan, Reeve, Taylor, Pullman. Nays-Burrows.

This engine has two large cyclinders, each holding 35 gallon of chemical mixture (water, soda and acid.) It takes about five minutes to empty a cyclinder, after which the other one is put in use. While one cyclinder is being used the other is being filled.

The issues of 2-23-1911-carried a copy of the constitution and By-Laws of the Silver City Fire Co. These were also printed in Booklet form and distributed in the town.

The next mention of the Fire Co. was 1-19-1922 when the following officers were listed: Chief, J.R. Kurtz, Ass't Chief, R.P. Galt, Sec'y-Treas. P.M. Flammant.

In 1926 a new and larger chemical engine was bought and 1-14-1926 a "New fire siren has been ordered-one that will make a screeching noise." The officers of the Fire Co. were: Chief, W.A. Pollitt, Ass't. Chief, C.O. Johnson, Sec'y-Treas. C.A. Maddocks. On 3-3-1926 the new fire siren was tried out and a test run of the fire wagon was made.

In 1948 a drive was made to buy a new up to date fire engine. The Fire Co. sold chances on a jeep, got

contributions from many, both rural and town, citizens and held an evening's entertainment in the school gym. This fire engine is the one still in use and the officers today are: Chief Kenneth McMahan, Ass't. Chief Kenneth Carlson, Sec'y-Treas. C.V. Moore.

Other citizens who have been fire chief through the years are: George Carlson, Harvey Deitchler, Walter Fender, Elton F. Landon, Bob Childs and Dr. C.O. Johnson.



Telephone Office from the first to the Dial System.

Dial Telephone Office

THE TELEPHONE COMPANY

In the Silver City Times 10-18-1900, "The telephone line has reached Silver City limits and are now waiting the consent of the city council to enter and the position to place their line poles. While the central office is not yet thoroughly decide upon, it is more than likely that it will be placed in the care of Mrs. Lacock."

The next mention of the telephone was in 4-18-1901 Silver City Times; The Tabor Telephone Co. have been working in Northeastern direction from Silver City. They have secured the following phones spoken for; Wm Burgoin, J. J. Mass, M. McKenzie (2) Geo. Rew (2), Elton Lawson, F. W. Ouren, Augustus Dammrow, George Stephen and Frank Plumer. There are five spoken for in Treynor. The patrons of Silver City are glad to see this line go through 1-24-1905 Silver City; "There are 91 phones connected with the Silver City exchange." On election night 1912, "Silver City men paid the telephone girls a purse of \$9.50 for staying up and getting the election returns. All agreed that the girls earned the money. 8-7-1913 Gertrude Lacock, who had been the only telephone operator resigned and Beulah Christy became the operator and she and her mother moved into the telephone office, Beulah was assisted by Flo Kochenderfer. Jeanette Moore also helped a few years later. Beulah Christy became very ill in August 1918 and she was replaced by Mr. and Mrs. Sam Keesee, assisted by Bessie Parker. The Keesee's were in charge of the telephone office until 1937 when the dial system was installed. Since that time the equipment has been in the new telephone building and the only operator we have is the long distance operator in Glenwood.



GRACE McNAY - Postal Clerk
FAE DEITCHLER - Postmaster



Chas. Sells, R.P. Galt, Dr. James Marr

One of the most important business houses of any town is its banking establishment. Silver City can boast of one of the best in the state. The first bank established in Silver City was in the summer of 1881 by John Hanson & CO. of Greenwood under the management of W.B. Oats

On June 4, 1883 the Silver City State Bank was incorporated by John VanKirk, J.A. Frazier, C.G. Greenwood, W.G. Moore, H. Ouren, J.P. Fall, H.U. Benton, J.J. Taylor, W.B. Oaks, Chris Plumer, H.H. Huffaker, D.F. Smith, C. Davis, F.F. Deitchler, Leo Jurgens and Etta Chapman. The capitol stock was \$25,000 and the first director were: C.G. Greenwood, J.A. Frazier, F.F. Deitchler, John VanKirk and H. Ouren.



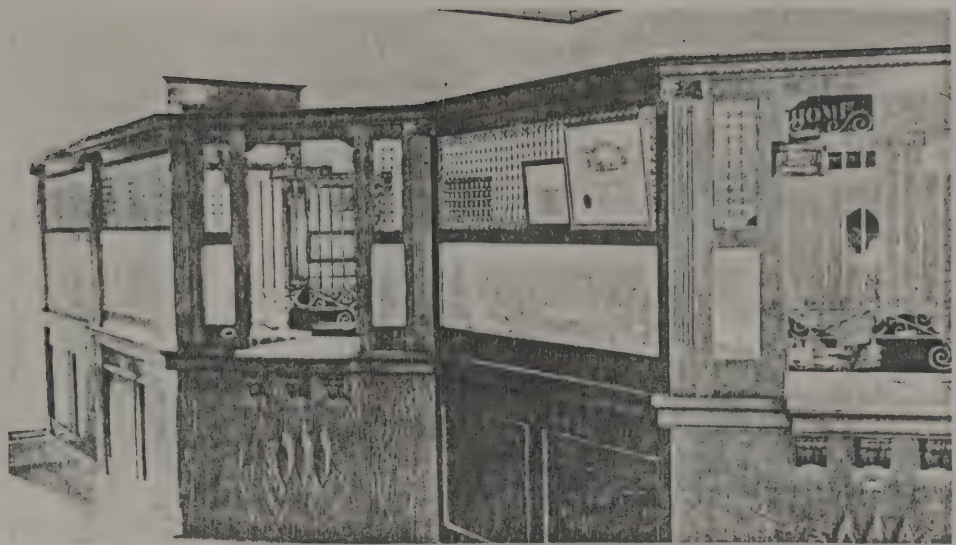
R.P. Galt, J.H. Kruse, Kenneth Carlson

C.G. GREENWOOD was 1st Pres. and H. OUREN was the 1st Vice-Pres. follow by J.P. Fall H.U. Benton and E.F. Landon. W.B. OAKS was 1st cashier. In 1885 the capital was increased to \$35,000 and in 1889 it was again increased to \$50,000. In 1908 it was decreased to \$25,000 as it remains today. The capital, surplus and profits stands at \$85,000 today.

On 11-11-1891 the bank building was destroyed by fire and on the 12th the director met and decided to erect a brick building, which is the present building and is one of the best in the state for the size of the town. The first floor also contains an apartment of rooms used by several of the doctors in our town over a period of years. The second floor houses the home of the I.O.O.F. and Rebekah Lodges.

The Bank was burglarized in 10-14-1920. As a result they had to buy a new safe.

Here is a list of some of the officers and stockholders and their terms of office and service to the bank. C.G. GREENWOOD: 1st Pres. and served as Pres. for 38 yrs. then as chairman of the Board for 5 yrs. a total of 43 yrs. as director. He was presented with a gold headed cane 8-12-1913 by the Board the presentation being made by H.H. Huffaker, C.D. GREENWOOD: 45 1/2 yrs. as director. E.F. LANDON: 16 yrs. Vice Pres. 20 yrs. director. J.P. FALL: 7 yrs. as director also as Vice Pres. M. FLAMMANT: 3 1/2 yrs. Vice Pres. director 20 yrs. A. HERSHEY: 4 yrs. as director. H.H. HUFFAKER 18 yrs. as director. W.B. OAKS: 25 yrs. as cashier. M. KEHOE: 13 yrs. as cashier, 18 yrs. Pres. total service 31 yrs. ROSCOE ANDERSON: Ass't. cashier 1 yr. Bookkeeper 3 yrs. C.H. KRUSE: 30 yrs. Vice-Pres., 36 yrs. as director. OTTO MASS: 24 1/2 yrs. as director. JAMES PULLMAN: 4 yrs. ass't cashier. J.J. TAYLOR: 14 yrs. Vice Pres. 45 yrs. as director, P.M. FLAMMANT: 14 1/2 yrs. as cashier, 15 yrs. as director. R.K. HENDERSON: 18 yrs. director. GEORGE BADA: 20 yrs. director. R. BADA: 5 yrs. director. J.W. KRUSE: 3 yrs. Ass't. cashier. 3 yrs. as director. PAUL SPEIBRING: 1 yr. Bookkeeper. J.H. KRUSE: 27 yrs. cashier, Vice Pres. and director. GROVER GOOS: 4 yrs. director. DONADD GOOS: 2 yrs. director. J.G. FLANAGAN: 7 yrs. Pres. 11 yrs. director. HARRY MADDOCKS: 10 1/2 yrs. director. JAMES BURGOIN: 3 yrs. Pres. 9 1/2 yrs. director. GEORGE CARLSON: 8 yrs. director. R.A. FLANAGAN: 6 yrs. director 1 yr. ass't. cashier. R.P. GALT: 17 yrs. cashier. 6 yrs. director. REW BURGOIN: 7 yrs. Pres. 15 yrs. director. JOHN MASS: elected director Jan. 1954. KENNETH CARLSON: 1 yr. cashier. By Joe Kruse



THE FARMERS STATE BANK



The Farmers State Bank was the second bank to be organized in Silver City and was promoted by W.B. Oaks and a group of business men and farmers. It was chartered by the State and opened for business in Sept. 1909. The first board of directors consisted of seven members who were: W.B. Oaks, F.H. Plumer, William Burgoin, J.G. Flanagan, John Parker, Harry Maddocks and R.M. McKenzie.

W.B. Oaks was an experienced banker who had previously been associated with the Silver City State Bank. His death occurred very suddenly within two months after the bank had opened for business.

Clyde Ryneanson was assistant cashier and following Mr. Oaks death, Mrs. Oaks also became an assistant at the bank and these two officers were in active charge until Mr. Ryneanson resigned in March 1911. Mr. C.H. Patterson then became cashier followed by C.G. Cater from June 1913 to Dec. 1916 when he resigned to engage in business in Colorado. R.P. Galt was elected cashier to commence work January 1, 1917 and continued in that position until consolidation of the banks as shown later in this sketch. During these years other assistants and employees of the bank were: James Mosley, Lena Bada, Macile Moore, and C.A. Maddocks. F.H. Plumer was the first President of the bank, holding that office until May, 1913. He was followed by William Burgoin who was Pres. until Jan. 1913 when J.G. Flanagan was named as President, he continuing as such until the consolidation in 1935.

During these years the bank had shown a steady and profitable growth and had taken an active part in promoting the business and agricultural interests of the community and had, during the war years, actively assisted the Government in its loan and credit drives.

When the financial crisis of the 1930's came all State banks were required to suspend normal business and were operated on a restricted basis until their financial structure could be adjusted. The Farmers State Bank and the Silver City State Bank were two out of only four banks in the county who were again able to resume business with the release of all deposits without restrictions.

Owing to the depreciated business and low income of banks during these years, the State Banking department followed a policy of consolidating banks in smaller communities, so after another year or two of operation, with the help of the Banking department, a plan for the consolidation of the Silver City Banks was completed in June 1935. The business was continued under the name of the Silver City State Bank as at present. During this year of 1953 the State charter of the Silver City State Bank has been re-nued for another 20 years period and further growth is anticipated.

By R.P. Galt

C. F. MEARS AND STEAM ENGINE

The Smallest Horizontal Steam Engine in the World, was made in 1898 by our watchmaker and jeweler C. F. Mears.

C. F. Mears has recently completed the hard task which has looked almost impossible to him for the three years having commenced it in 1896. For the last three months Mr. Mears has spent his time exclusively in completing the engine, as it is entered for competition and awards at the Trans-Mississippi Exposition at Omaha. This tiny piece of machinery is made from the following metals, silver, german silver, brass, steel and hard rubber-not a soft piece of metal being used in its construction - all the pieces being made from the raw material. There are 118 pieces contained in the marvel-each and every piece comes apart, same as a large machine. It has a regular steam guage, registering as it runs only on a small calculation, 45 lbs of steam -same as a large engine. It has a water guage, showing amount of water in boiler and all the necessary attachments that goes to make a large steam engine complete; it is run by a very small alcohol lamp in the door of the fire box; it is made on the excentric cut off plan. It has oil cups and in fact, everything to be found on a first-class modern engine. A general idea may be had of proportions when we note the following affidavit, made before L. W. Huffaker, Notary Public, of Silver City, which was made to satisfy the Exposition authorities of correctness and completeness of this little machine:

AFFIDAVIT

We, F.R. Pettitt, E.F. Landon, C.R. Bickelhymer, Frank Hargitt, Guy Pettit, M.M. Pysing, and C.F. Mears, citizens of Silver City, Mills County Iowa. being first duly sworn, do on oath, dispose and each for himself, says that Chas F. Mears, a jeweler and watchmaker, of Silver City, is the maker of the miniature Horizontal Steam engine and upright boiler herein described, and we, the undersigned, have seen same run by steam. And we have seen all the parts while in course of construction. It has water cocks, throttle value, safety valve, glass water guage-all working machinery. Dimensions

Length of cylinder, 6.16 of an inch; diameter of cylinder, 3.16 of an inch; stroke, 3.16 of an inch; diameter of fly wheel 7.8 of an inch; Length of engine bed 15.8 inches; length of boiler 15.16 inches; diameter boiler, 5.8 of an inch; height of smoke stack, 11.16 of an inch.

Personally appeared before me F.R. Pettitt, E.F. Landon, C.R. Bickelhymer, Frank Hargitt, Guy Pettit, M.M. Pysing, C.F. Mears who subscribed and swore to the above affidavit before me and in my presence and hearing this 7th day of April A.D., 1898.

(Seal) L.W. Huffaker, Silver City Iowa Notary Public.

The engine will be on exhibition at his office for five days, after that time it will be taken to Omaha and remain while the Exposition lasts.

C. F. Mears carried off the Gold Medal at the Trans-Mississippi Exposition last year for the smallest perfect working Steam Engine in the world. Mr. Mears has received many complimentary notices from numerous papers over the United States for his excellent workmanship on the above engine, and many of them thoroughly understand what they are talking about when it comes to such machinery.



EARLY AUTOMOBILE IN SILVER CITY

Two cars passed through town going to Shenandoah from Omaha. C. F. Mears was much taken up with the contraption. Later in the day, the two men were out at the VanKirk farm with the "BUGS" and Mears learning of it walked out that he might get a ride back in one of them. The automobiles were little dinky two passenger concerns not more than two cylinders.

A little while after, probably a month-Mears made a deal for one of the same two automobiles. It was a steamer of some kind. This was the first automobile in Silver City.

Reference: Silver City Times. 4-10-1928 in items 17 years ago dated August 12, 1902.



The Old Abandoned Jail



Art Burgoin & Charles Saar

SILVER CITY JAIL

The new city Calaboose is about completed and Mayor Huffaker and Marshal Kurtz are looking for a star boarder with which to dedicate the building. All that is necessary for you to do to get a little free board is to load up on 'bug Juice' and try to paint the town a brilliant red. 6-1-1911 S.C.T.

NEW JAIL DEDICATED

Silver City's new cement jail, which was built last summer, has at last been duly dedicated, and henceforth and for ever more will be known as the "Miller House". This dedication took place Monday morning when a young man named Miller was arrested and placed in durance vile for breaking into a freight car.

Young Miller claims Chicago as his home and says he got into the car in Omaha with the hopes of stealing a ride to his home city. But in the car was a box of millinery goods belonging to Miss Clara Plumb of Silver City. Miller broke into the box and decorated himself with a lot of millinery fixin's that were orginally intended for members of the fair sex only. After being properly bedecked, as he thought, Miller laid down on the floor and went to sleep. The car came to Silver City Monday morning on the local freight and when the train men opened it they found Miller sound asleep. He was arrested and deposited in the new jail until Tuesday when a railroad detective arrived here and took charge of him. On Wednesday Miller was taken before Justice of Peace, Frank Pullman. He confessed to petit larceny and the judge gave him ten days in the county jail. (Silver City Times, Nov. 30, 1911)



R.W. Clipson, C.A. Moore, Residence, Jim Bryant



C.A. MOORE



DR. JAMES GETTUS McCUE

b. 9-2-1869, Jackson Co. Ia, s. of Michael and Mary Jane McCue; He graduated from College of Medicine Louisville, Ky. 1890 and immediately began practicing at Silver City. He was identified with the community in all its growth and progress, being a member of the early Silver City Concert Band, Masonic, Eastern Star and Knights of Pythias lodges; and was a member of the Mills Co. Examining Board for World War I. He was a kindly, sincere, trusted man and family doctor for 42 years or until his death 1-7-1932. He m. 9-21-1904, Ida Huffaker, a member of a pioneer Silver City family. They had no ch. Mrs. McCue d. 2-21-1953.

DR. ROBERT A. MOORE

b. 9-13-1854, Sweet Water Tenn. s. of Mr. and Mrs. James Moore. He moved to Crawfordville Ia. in youth and graduated from the Keokuk College of Medicine 1881, located at Silver City the same yr. where he practiced for 52 years or until his death, 10-9-1933. He m. 10-25-1883, Della Mae Sidener, a member of a pioneer family of Silver City. Dr. Moore was a kindly, sincere man and a trusted family doctor. He was identified with the growth and prosperity of the community. Dr. and Mrs. Moore were the parents of 7 ch. 2 d. young, Gail, Hazel, Veda, Macile, and Jeanette. Mrs. Moore d. 2-13-1953.

GAIL, b. 5-10- 1887 was educated in Silver City public schools; m. Katie Goos, 6-9-1915. He was a rural mail carrier from 1908-1915, and was also a successful farmer for many yrs. They were parents of a s. Robert. They moved to Los Angeles several yrs. ago.

HAZEL, d. before her father and VEDA has been a successful teacher in the Council Bluffs Public Schools for over 20 yrs. MACILE was employed in the Farmers' State Bank for several yrs. She is now Mrs. Chas. Benford of Shenandoah. JEANETTE taught for a number of years in the Council Bluffs Public Schools and is now the w. of George Maynes, a Council Bluffs Attorney.

DR'S. AGAN and AGAN

DR. JOHN NEWTON, b. Marengo Ind. was educated at the Marengo Academy and at the Hospital of Medical College, Louisville Ky. graduated in 1891 and located at Silver City the same yr, practicing here until 1898 when he entered service for Spanish-American War. He located at Pender Nebr. in 1900, and also practiced in Colorado and Calif. where he d. 1948 at Los Angeles. He m. a wid. with several ch.

DR. GEORGE M. b. 2-14-1860, Marengo Ind. attended Marengo Academy and Hospital Medical College Louisville Ky; He graduated 1886; practiced Columbia Ia. 1886-1892, Silver City 1892-1908, Glenwood 1908-1937, moved to home of dau. at Owatonna Minn. 1938 where he d. 3-14-1939 and was bur. at Silver City. He was a prominent member of the Methodist church and active in community affairs being Mayor at one time. He m. 11-25-1888, Mary Sophia Martin; they had 4 ch. a s. Frederick d. young, Barbara, Norma and Helen. B Barbara was a graduate nurse and served in World War I. Norma m. Everett Goltry and d. 8-20-1934; Helen is now Mrs. D. Lowell Johnson. Mrs. Agan d. 1952.

DR. J. T. ARMSTRONG, was an early physician and surgeon here. He was b. 12-28-1856, m. about 1880 Maude Archibold dau. of Dr. O. W. Archibold of Glenwood. He graduated Parsons College and College of Medicine Uni. of Ia, 1879 located here and practiced here a few yrs. CHAPMAN, O. W., physician and surgeon, practiced here about 1881 for several yrs. was one of the first Board of Trustees of the M. E. Church in Silver City, rem. Council Bluffs. Following appeared in 4-28-1899 Silver City Times: Dr. William Chapman of Council Bluffs an old and highly respected citizen of Silver City yrs. ago d. at his home in Council Bluffs, Tuesday and the remains were laid to rest in Fairview cemetery Thursday afternoon.

EPLER, JOHN Wm. b. 5-15-1855 Springfield, Ill and d. 4-22-1939 Kearney Mo: was educated at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, graduated 1883, practiced Silver City 1883-1900; also practiced Tabor Ia. Drexel, Sheldon, Carthage and Kearney, Mo; m. while in Silver City, 10-3-1888 Blanche Cornelia Wyant they had 1 dau. who d. young and she d. 10-3-1900. He m. again 1912 Beatrice Stamper who d. 1952. He was a member of the Methodist Church, a kindly man, good friend and doctor. He and his family are all bur. Silver City.

MARR, JAMES b. 6-3-1901 Manchester Eng., came to American 1910, graduated at Knox College and Uni. of Medicine St. Louis, Mo. came to Silver City 1932 where he practiced medicine until 1946 when he rem. Florida. 1948, he became ass't Supt. of State Feeble Minded School at Glenwood; became Supt. of State Feeble Minded School at Grafton, N.D. July 1953. He m. 11-18-1923 Florence Baldwin, they had 3 ch: Mabel m. Dr. Thomas Kelley and lives Germ, James A. m. and living in Carson and Donald. He was a Catholic member of Kiwanus Club and Grafton Chamber of Commerce. He d. 12-2-1953 and is bur. Council Bluffs.



DR. WALTER HOSTETTER

A dentist in Silver City in the early days, went to Nebr. and Denver Colo., m. Laura VanKirk and had 1 dau; Glady's who d. in her teens, later m. Nona (Lacock) Hostetter, wid. of his brother, Dr. Hostetter, a medical man.

DR. FELTON L. LANDON

Was b. 9-17-1866 Ingraham twp. a member of a pioneer family. He attended Shenandoah College and graduated from Creighton Uni. College of Dentistry. He practiced Silver City 1900-1905, also Council Bluffs, Omaha and Chicago. He m. Etta Scott; now res. at Los Angeles Calif. They had no ch.



DR. CHESTER O. JOHNSON

was b. 6-22-1886 McPaul Ia. s. of Lucian and Violet (Carr) Johnson. He attended Veterinarian School, Kansas City and graduated from St. Joseph Veterinarian School 1916. He came immediately to Silver City where he has practiced for 38 yrs. He served as Lieut. in Veterinarian Corps during World War I. He m. 12-31-1907 Cora Burger who d. 1911. They had 2 ch. GLENN m. Theora Chapman and lives Salt Lake City; and Mildred m. Hector Aune. He m. Dec. 1916 Mae Hunt who d. several yrs. later. They had 2 s. KENNETH, farms near here, m. Eva Long and has 4 ch. James, Lois, Richard and Charles. Both served in World War II, WAYNE m. Natalie Lewis and res. Texas. They have 2 ch. Steven and Michelle Ann. Dr. Johnson has been active in town affairs, having served as council man and Mayor and is a member of Masonic and Eastern Star lodges and a member of the American Legion. He m. 10-10-1933, Mrs. Grace (Teatsworth) Schroeder. He is a respected and very prominent citizen.

FORMER AND PRESENT BUSINESS MEN



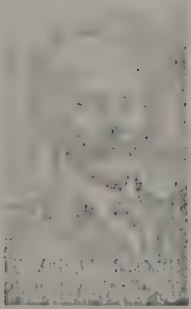
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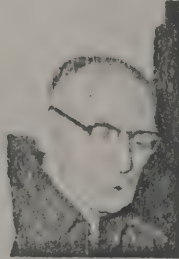
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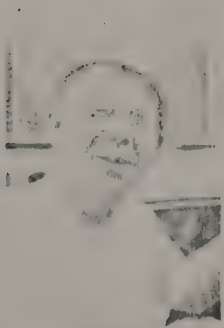
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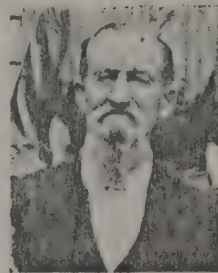
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Wm. C. SWARTS AND HIS ARABIAN HORSES

WILLIAM CYRUS b. 10-11-1849 Williams Co., Ohio. He lived in Indiana and settled in Mills Co. 1874. He m. 9-30-1873 Sarah Jane Isminger. He was an extensive farmer and stock breeder. At one time he owned a large stable of fine trotter and pacer horses; these horses were entered in races in all the large race tracks in the nation. He had several noted horses among them Chesnut Wilkes and New Fashions. His noted stallion was Chorist. His breeding farm was Spring Valley, now owned by Mrs. James Burgoin. The large horse barn burned a few years after he sold Spring Valley to Geo. Rew. In 1892 and 93 he published a catalogue of his horses. A copy of his 1893 catalogue is now in the possession of his grandson, John W. Swarts and has been used by the committee in compiling this sketch of Mr. Swarts. Mr. Swarts would never accept an office in the community but was nevertheless an active "behind the scenes" res. of the community, his advice and ideas were always being sought and much of the time heeded. Mr. & Mrs. Swarts had 7 ch: Frank G., Edward, Mark, Maude, James P., Mabel and Mae, twins. Mr. Swarts was a member of the Masonic Lodge, and a supporter of the Christian Church, of which Mrs. Swarts was a member. She d. 3-1-1916 and he d. 12-28-1917.

FRANK G. b. 11-9-1875 Ind. m. Edna Dunbar, She d. a few years later. They had a dau. Ada who was cared for in her grandfather's home after her mother's death. He graduated from Silver City High School 1893 and took part with the class in the 1st. Commencement Exercises. Frank was a pharmacist and owned a drug store in S. Dak. for many yrs. He is now a res. of Bartelsville, Okla.

EDWARD also a graduate of Silver City High School, became a pharmacist rem. to California where he engaged in his profession, m. and d. there a few yrs. ago.

JAMES m. Sadie Reeve, farmed near Silver City for several yrs. She d. 1918. He later moved his little family to California where he still resides.

MAUDE d. young.

MABEL graduated from Silver City High School and Creighton Uni. Medical College. She rem. to San Diego, Calif. where she is now Mrs. Thomas.

MAE graduated from Silver City High School, m. THOMAS McMAHAN a brakeman on the Wabash R.R. They res. at Stansberry, Mo. and had 3 ch; NAOMI, a graduate of Silver City High School and Jennie Edmundson Hospital School of Nursing, is now Mrs. Lavier of Council Bluffs; MAMIE, a graduate of Silver City High School and a graduate mortician, is now Mrs. Rusch of the Rush Funeral Home in Council Bluffs; KENNETH b. 8-3-1911 at Standberry, Mo. graduated from Silver City High School m. 4-21-1933 Elizabeth Bierman; a member of the school board, has served as council man and is now Fire Chief of the local Fire Co. They have 3 ch; Donald, Delores and Thomas. Their father THOMAS McMAHAN b. 6-5-1883 Grover, Mo. was beloved by all his fellow workers and by all who were privileged to know him. He was killed 3-16-1915 in a train wreck near White Cloud, Ia., bur. at Silver City. His wife and ch. lived in the grandfather's home until her marriage to Floyd Hill a few yrs. later. FLOYD HILL was a farmer here and d. 1950. They had 3 ch; SARAH JANE, now Mrs. Herman Storkenbecker and 2 s. Larry and Leo.

GRETCHEN is Mrs. Lyle Hodges of Elsmore, Calif. and has 1 ch. and GEARLDINE is now Mrs. Negrothan of Council Bluffs, all graduated from Silver City High School. The mother MAE is a res. of Silver City and active in all community affairs.

MARK b 1879 graduated from Silver City High School and Iowa State Teacher at Cedar Falls. He taught in Old Pacific and Silver City. He m. Mary Wright, was a successful farmer, served several yrs. on the County Board of Supervisors, was a member of Spellbrings Concert Band and Orchestra, a member of Masonic and Eastern Star Lodge. They had 2 ch; John and Muriel. They both d. a few years ago.

JOHN b. 8-4-1914, graduated from Silver City High School attended Cedar Falls Teachers and graduated from Simpson College. He has taught at Mallard, West Burd, Glenwood, Denison and Turil, Ia. and is now teaching at Silver City. He is also a successful farmer. He served in the Pacific Theater during World War II for 3 yrs. is a member of the Methodist Church, Masonic and Eastern Star Lodge and the American Legion. He m. 5-28-1939 Ruth Barnes they have 2 ch; Carol Sue and Linda.

MURIEL b. 1911, graduated from Silver City High School and Cedar Falls State Teacher. She taught at Evergreen School N. of Silver City and at Barlett and Finchford. She m. 1938 Paul Menzel. They have 3 ch. Lois, James Paul, and Bonnie Sue. He is a successful farmer at Jonesville, Ia.

HOWARD

The pioneer of this family was Samson, born 1-1-1833 in Lincolnshire, England. He came to America in 1853, went first to Ohio and later to St. Joseph County Michigan where he married 7-20-1861 Letty Hallam also a native of England. He came to Mills County in 1871 with his family and was a successful farmer for many years, retiring in 1907 and moved into Silver City where he died 5-8-1922 and Mrs. Howard died 3-3-1930. Their children: Marietta, Elmer, Ella Jane, Frances E., Letty E., George H., Charles W., Herbert P., Walter O. and Grace. MARIETTA, married L.C. Alexander, her children are listed under her husband's life sketch. ELMER, lived most of his adult life in Colorado and died a few year ago.

ELLA JANE, married John T. Skerritt, her children are listed under her husband's and her life sketch.

FRANCES E., married Elizabeth Schroeder, farmed near Malvern for many years. He now lives at Sac City, Iowa. They had Lisle, married and living near Hastings, Edwin, married and living at Sac City and Arlene who taught for several years and is now married.

LETTY E., married John Wilson.

GEORGE, married Florence Schroeder, farmed near Glenwood for many years. They had 1 daughter Fern, now Mrs. Mayberry and has children. He died a few years ago and Mrs. Howard is still living on the farm near Glenwood.

CHARLES, married and lived and died in Colorado.

HERBERT P., married Minnie Lew, lives on and farms the homestead and has 2 daughters: Dorothy and Vera and both are married.

WALTER O., married Anna Theresa Lew, lives in East Liberty neighborhood. Mrs. Howard died 3-21-1914. Their one daughter Veda is now Mrs. Archie Haines of Silver City and has one son LeVerne now serving in Armed Forces.

GRACE, married Henry Rommel, lived in Silver City many years and now lives in Mineola. Her family included in husband's life sketch.

OAKS

WILLIAM BOSBYSHELL, born 7-3-1855 at Philadelphia, Pa. He came to Mills County in 1869 and Silver City 1879 to manage the John Hansen and Co. General Store. He helped organize the Silver City State Bank and was its first Cashier; later he helped organize the Farmers State Bank in 1908 and was cashier at the time of his death in 11-3-1909. He was a charter member of I.O.O.F., Masonic, Wayside Encampment, and K. of P. all of Silver City. He was also mayor and President of Silver City Fair Associate and Silver City Building and Loan Association. He married 9-28-1881 Eda Crosby daughter of W.A. Crosby who built the 1st store building in Silver City and was its first postmaster. They had no children. Mrs. Oaks is still living in Florida and has contributed a number of pictures for our history.

CHRISTY

J. COLL, born 3-4-1840 in Fulton County, Illinois, came to Iowa with his parents in 1849 and located near Patricks Mill on Silver City about 4 miles south of present site of Silver City in Mills County 1865. He came to Silver City in 1883 and was post master here in 1885. He was an energetic business man, a member of Masonic Lodge and one of the towns best citizen. He married 12-9-1885 Mattie Merry. They had 3 children: 2 died young and Beulah. In Sept. 1864 he and his brother John went west on a prospecting trip, in returning from this trip they were overtaken by a band of Indians, and compelled to run for their lives. This was in December and they were forced to swim a river to cover their trail and escape the Indians. He took a heavy cold, it settled on his lungs and so effected them that he contracted tuberculosis and finally died of it in 12-2-1898. Mrs. Christy died 3-5-1939.

BUELAH, graduated from Silver City High School, taught in rural schools for a number of years and became the telephone operator here when Gertie left in . She continued in this occupation until her health failed in 1918 and she died 1930. Buelah was a much loved, trusted and faithful friend as she served the public for so many years.

PERKINS

ELIJAH, born 11-11-1842 in Warren County Illinois was a farmer in the East Liberty community for a number of years. Later moved into Silver City where he was a salesman for many years. He married 7-4-1866 Adoline Merryman who was the mother of his children: Charles, Daisy, Anna, Dora and Mattie. She died later and he married 7-8-1903 Mrs. Adoline Corbett, who had a daughter, Loretta. She died a few years later and he died 6-15-1911 and is buried at East Liberty.

CHARLES, died in young manhood.

DAISY, died in young womanhood.

ANNA, married George Sinduson had 3 sons: Elmer, now living in Omaha, Carlton, living in California and Ray living in California. She died a few years ago.

DORA, married Miles V. Huffaker and her family will be found with her husband's live sketch.

MATTIE, married Harris. She has a son living in Council Bluffs and has 2 children. She was an employee at the Christian Home in Council Bluffs many years, and is now retired. Loretta Corbett is employed in Omaha.

COBURN

JOHN S., born 8-8-1846 at Carroll County Kentucky. He came to Ingraham Township in 1875 and married 7-4-1876 Stella Herrick. He was a stage driver between Denver and Fairplay, Colo. for a while, farmer and engineer. They had 4 children: a son died young, Ellory, Nellie, and Will O. He was identified with the growth and development of the community and was a popular and respected citizen known as "Uncle Jack". He died 4-26-1928. Mrs. Coburn died 12-9-1915.

ELLORY, was married and lived in Council Bluffs for many years. He had 2 sons.

NELLIE, graduated from S. C. H. S. later taught for several years and married C. W. Sawyer who was a successful jeweler in Silver City. They had 3 children: Vandis died young, Kenneth and Max. All the Sawyer family now live in Seattle, Washington.

WILL O., born 4-7-1886 in Silver City. He is a contractor and builder. He married 1-19-1919 Henrietta Schultz. They have an adopted son, Robert. All have been living in Canago Park, Calif. for several years.

ROBERT, is an industrial engineer and is married and has 2 children.

REEVE

ALMON PARKER, born . . . at Granville, Illinois son of Wm. and Sarah (Wilson) Reeve. He came to Silver City where he operated the elevator in partnership with Webster Mains for He was also in the hardware, real-estate, and insurance business for many member of Methodist choir and quartet for many years, also a member of I. O. Woodman, and Royal Neighbors. He married 11-3-1886 Maria Bonner. They had . . . children: Sadie, Clarkson, Ruth, Charles, Paul and Alice. She died 2-28-1924, he died 5-4-1935.

SADIE, graduated from S.C.H.S. was a teacher in Silver City schools for several years. She married James Swarts, they had several children. She died 1918 and he removed to California with his family.

CLARKSON ARTHUR, born 11-20-1889 at Silver City. He married 5-4-1912 Mary Rook. They lived at Regina, Canada where he died 4-2-1913. They had one son.

CHARLES, has lived in Omaha many years where he is a salesman. He is prominent in Masonic, Scottish Rite and Shrine Lodges. A few years ago he became a 33 degree Mason.

RUTH, married Captain and lives at Salt Lake City. She was an accomplished pianist.

PAUL, is married and living in Portland, Oregon. He has several children.

ALICE, now lives in New York.

BRYANT -- SWANBURG -- BAILEY

LYMAN b. 6-25-1841. Henry Co. Ill. He was a G.A.R. and m. 8-26-1860. Sarah C. Blair. They came to Silver City 1882 where he farmed and owned and operated a threshing machine.

They had 10 ch; 4 d. young, James, Cora, Alpha, Ida, Clarence d. 2-22-1941, John L, Cora m. Potter. Ida m. O. E. Farrington and lived at Henderson for many yrs. JAMES WILLIAM

b. 12-18-1891 Oxford, Ill. He came to Silver City with father's family and m. 3-18-1891 Minnie R. Blair. He was an interior decorator and respected by all. They had 5 ch; Earl, Paul, Glenn d. 3-3-1938 at Treynor, Max and Fae. Fae m. Mr. Keller and d. a few yrs later.

EARL lived in Silver City for many yrs. being employed in Joe Mauraths and C.A. Moore general stores. He later became identified with the J.C. Penney Co. and has operated stores for that company in Texas for many yrs. He m. Alice Plumb.

CHARLES SWANBURG b. 3-2-1862. Phillipstod Sweden. s of August and Mary Swanburg, came to America 1881, first settled at Axtell Kans. came to Silver City 1884 and farmed for many yrs. north of Silver City. He m. 3-23-1892. Alpha Bryant dau. of Lyman and Sarah Bryant. He was a highly respected man and a member of the Masonic Lodge. He d. 10-28-1933. His s. Ray d. 1915 following a coasting accident. Of his dau. May m. Bothwell, Daisy m.

Bankus. Annabell m. Bailey, Katherine m. Norie and Maude m. James Bailey is a respected and successful farmer living north of Silver City. They had 3 ch; Edward was killed in a truck accident in Colo. about a yr. ago. Merle m. Herman Sanders and has a s. Dallas and a dau. Valeria and lives in Silver City. Jean graduated from Silver City High School and is now employed in Omaha.

POLLITT

W.A. POLLITT b. 7-20-1886. Bryant, Ill. and came to Silver City, Ia., 6-1910. Was in the garage business for many years, work for the county road for 15 yrs. and in Calif for 4 yrs. in ship yards as Electrician, now a Electrician in Silver City. He m. Hilda Gustafson.

6-7-1911. They had 8 ch; Roland d. several years ago. Wavyve, Dorothy, twins Esther and Ethel, Wilma, Helen and Billy. She d 2-26-1949. He later m. Marie Cady 1-27-1951. she d. 3-14-1953. He is a member of the Masonic, Eastern Star and I.O.O.F. Lodges.

ROMMEL

CHARLES A., born 1-10-1854 at New York, New York. He was a factory worker and railroad man. He came to Silver City in 1879, being one of Silver City's pioneers who was familiar with the development and growth of the community. He was marshall and street commissioner for many years. He married 4-24-1883 Maggie D. Mass. They had 4 children: George who died young, Henry, Frank and Arthur J. He died 11-12-1913 and she died.

HENRY J., 3-26-1885 at Silver City. He was marshall and street commissioneer many years. He married 1907 Grace Howard. They had 3 ch; Erma, Ruby and Clifford. He died 6-3-1949. Erma, is married and lives at Malvern has several children. Ruby, is now Mrs. Ellsworth Jones Jones and has 1 daughter Donna by a former marriage. Donna is now Mrs. Benny Schnoor. Clifford is married and lives at

FRANK, born 2-15-1887 at Silver City, he was an employee of Hohn Beno firm at Council Bluffs

for a number of years. He is now farming near Tabor. He married Flora Van Doren in 1909. They had 3 children: Margaret, Clara Marie and a son Max who was killed in action on Tarawa in 1943 while serving in U.S. Marines.

ARTHUR J., born 1-16-1900, graduated from S.C.H.S. served in World War I in France; salesman, business man in Silver City for several years. He is a member of Methodist Church Masonic, Easter Star, and Scottish Rite Lodges. He married 11-29-1922 Vera Hammers. They have 2 children: Geraldine and Charles.

GERALDINE graduated from S.C.H.S. and is now Mrs. Marvin Goos. They have 2 children: Neil and James.

CHARLES, born

graduated from S.C.H.S.

HENDERSON

ROBERT K., son of James and Sarah Henderson was born 5-18-1873 at Harrison County Iowa. He moved to Nebraska with his parents and came to Mills County in 1888, settled in East Liberty Community where he lived until his death 3-26-1951. He was a successful farmer, a charter member of Mills County Farm Bureau, a faithful worker in the East Liberty Church where he was a member of the official Board, Secretary & Treasurer, and was Sunday School Superintendent for many years. He married 12-24-1896 Della Frances, they had 2 children: VALDA, married Fred Alexander and had 2 children: LESTER who has 2 children BETTY, now Mrs. Donald Burgoin and BOB, who is farming north of Silver City. Mrs. Della Henderson died 1903. On 2-27-1907 he married Iva Francis a sister of his 1st wife. They had 2 children: JAMES farming south of Silver City and MARY, now Mrs. Harold Terry of Malvern. She has 1 child. Mrs. Henderson is now living in Glenwood.

BANISTER-WILLARD

ERASTUS F., born 8-27-1840 in Ohio, came to Mills County in 1877 with the family. He married 8-16-1865 Mary J. Rowe. He was a successful farmer east of Silver City for many years and later moved in the town where he died 8-11-1914. He was a member of the G.A.R. and I.O.O.F. Mrs. Banister died 10-5-1918. Of there 5 children: ELTA, married George Weir, EDWARD lived here for a number of years then moved to California. DELBERT, and DORA married Cook and lived in Nebraska for many years. His daughter LENA married J.S. Willard who was born 4-6-1860 at Naperville, Illinois son of Judson and Jeanett Willard. They were married 9-20-1893 and had 2 children: Georgia now Mrs. Wilkinson and Lena now Mrs. Ward Burgoin of Omaha. Her children are found with her husbands life sketch. Mr. Willard was a businessman, operating a cafe in Silver City for several years, and later went to California where he died 5-18-1933. HENRY BANISTER, a brother of Erastus was born 5-27-1851 at New London, Iowa. He married Mrs. Mary Esther (Cone) Burge 3-29-1878. He came to a farm east of Silver City 1879 where he successfully operated it and died there 4-1-1943. He was a highly respected and esteemed man and had been a Mason for 67 years. Mrs. Banister died 2-19-1935. They had no children, but had a foster daughter EDNA WELLER who now lives in Silver City. Mrs. Banister had a son Dr. Burge who died leaving a daughter Eva now Mrs. Smith living in Clovis, New Mexico.

BADA

RICHARD FREDERICK, born at Scherlanka, Prussia 1-5-1849, came to Mills county at age of seven. He was a successful farmer and large land owner. In later year he built one of the beautiful homes in Silver City. He married 10-2-1878 Emma Ehler. They had 7 children:

Mary, died young, ARTEMES R., graduated from S.C.H.S. was a successful farmer married Schoening and had 2 children: CECIL who married Levora Talboy and had a daughter, Monte. He died a few years ago. GOERGE H., graduated from S.C.H.S.

Sophia Spetman, farmed several years now lives at San Diego as does their son RICHARD who is married. ALBERT W., who graduated at S.C.H.S. farmed a number of years near Silver City now lives at Eugene, Oregon where Mrs. Bada died a few years ago. He had no children.

CLARA, lived at home taking care of her parents, and unable to live alone lives in a Rest Home in Glenwood. ANNA, graduated from S.C.H.S. married Emory Long, a farmer for a number of years. Later Mayor of Silver City and died 1952. They had 2 children:

ARDATH, married living at California and CRETA who is married and lives in California. She has a daughter Marilyn now Mrs. Shatz living in California. Mrs. Long is also living with her daughter in California. LENA, graduated from S.C.H.S. and Omaha Business College and was Ass't Cashier of the Farmers State Bank for several years. She married Vardimun Wilkens and has 1 son Verne Alda living at Tabor.

DRESLER

HENRY, born 1-22-1867 at Feddering, Germany. He came to America when 6 weeks of age with his parents where they settled at Davenport, Iowa. He was a prominent man in Silver City where he was a painter and interior decorator. He was a long time member of the school board, city council, and commercial club and recorder. He had lived in Silver City 22 years when he died 1-21-1913. He married 5-19-1891 Bertha Senn. They had 8 children: Charles, Hazel, Horace, Bryon, George, Helen, Marie, and Dean. CHARLES, is married and lives at Atlantic, Iowa. HAZEL, is married to Good and died a number of years ago. HORRACE, is operating a dairy in Wisconsin. BRYAN, was a pharmacist and died several years ago. GEORGE, and HELEN are living in California.

DAY

FRANK, born 1853 in New York State, came to Mills County in 1878 locating in Deer Creek township, came to Silver City 1884 where he was associated with Billy Oaks in the race horse business. He was known as one of the best fast horse fanciers in the state and one of the best authorities of race horse pedigrees in the nation. He compiled many books for owners of race horses, served as post master in Silver City under Cleveland. He went to Glenwood in 1895 as a collector and Justice of the Peace, was known as Judge Day. He married Addie Tolbs in 1905. He died 11-19-1925. He was a member of I.O.O.F. Lodge and Methodist Church. Mrs. Day is living at the Good Samaritan Rest Home in Tabor.

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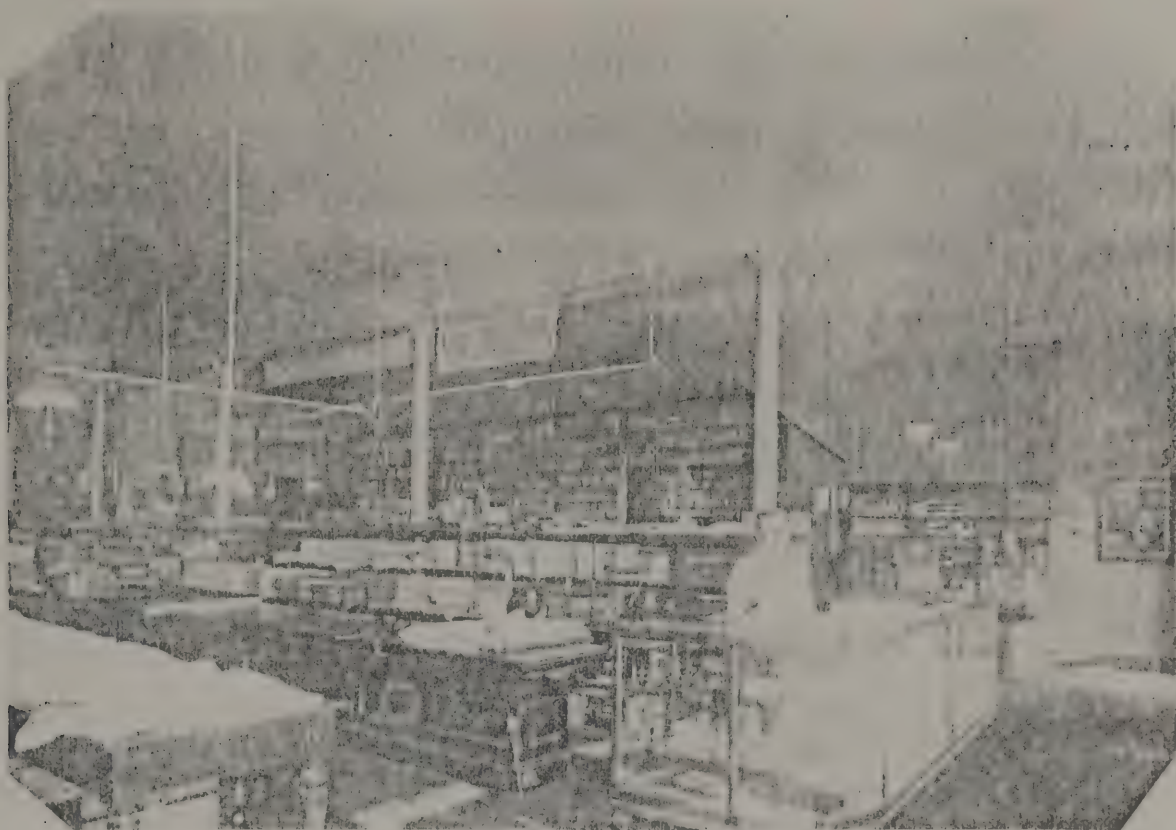
SAMUEL EDWARD, born 6-19-1891 at Albany, Missouri. He came to Silver City 1917 where he and Mrs. Keese were telephone operators from 1918 to January 1939 when the dial system was put in. He also was a paper hanger and painter, and was mail carrier for a time. He and Mrs. Keese had 4 children: ARDIS, who married Don Clay and lives in California, TRUMAN J, THURL, and BILLIE, they all live in Des Moines, Washington where Mrs. Keese lives. He died 3-26-1941.

KEHOE

MAURICE, born 1-25-1868 Washington, Virginia son of Martin and Susan Kehoe. He came to Council Bluffs 1887, went to Omaha 1890, Minneapolis 1891 and Silver City 1893 where he married 6-14-1894 Serepta, Greenwood. They went to Blue Springs, Nebraska in 1900 where he managed a lumber yard, and returned to Silver City 1908 when he became cashier of Silver City State Bank. Mr. Kehoe was identified with this Bank either as Cashier or President until he retired 1939. He was a member of the Methodist Church, and Masonic Lodge. He died 5-20-1940 and Mrs. Kehoe died 2-13-1933. They had 3 children: a daughter died young. Grace and Horace. GRACE, graduated from S.C.H.S. received higher education at Knox College, Galesburg, Illinois. She married Grover Goos and her children are listed in their fathers' life sketch. HORACE, was graduated from S.C.H.S. and School of Dentistry St. Louis, Missouri and University of Iowa. School of Dentistry. He is now practicing at Gladbrook, Iowa. He has children:

McKENZIE

ROBERT MALCOLM, born 3-8-1872 Pottawattimie County, Iowa. He was a prominent stock man and farmer, and veteran auctioneer, well and favorable know in southwestern Iowa. He was a member of I.O.O.F. He died 9-9-1940. Mrs. McKenzie now makes her home in California. They had no children.



FRANK PULLMAN'S GENERAL STORE 1910



Frank Pullman's well known "JERRY" and the delivery wagon so well known in Silver City for so many years. Ward Pullman the driver.

PULLMAN

GEORGE born 11-24-1834, Darmstadt, Germany. He came to America in 1852 and located at Philadelphia with his 2 sisters. He worked as a wagon and carriage maker there until 1856 when he moved to Chicago and later to Muscatine, Iowa. There he married 1-4-1856 Elizabeth Hettinger also a native of Darmstadt, Germany; and the daughter of George and Margaret (Buch) Hettinger. They lived as tenant farmers at Muscatine until 9-1-1870 when they came to Ingraham twp. Mills Co. They made the trip in a covered wagon the trip took 13 days. He became a large land owner and successful farmer and stock man. They were parents of 14 children; George, William, Margaret, Sophia, Mary, Phillip, John, Henry, Charles, Edward, Elizabeth, Frank, Albert, and James. He was a school director and twp. trustee for a number of years. He was a member of the Lutheran Church, and died 9-6-1898 and Mrs. Pullman died 10-19-1928.

GOERGE b. 4-5-1857 Muscatine, Ia. married 1-5-1882, Mary Plumer. He was an early business man in Silver City; later moving to Sidney Ia. where he farmed. He was a member of Masonic and I.O.O.F. Lodges and died 1-21-1927 and Mrs. Pullman died 7-27-1924. They were parents of 5 ch: Thomas, Coll, Joseph, James and Marion. THOMAS is m. and living in Omaha and has 2 children. COLL is m. and living at Sidney, a son was lost in San Francisco Harbor during World War II. JOSEPH m. Inez Spitler, lives at Sidney and has 4 ch. JAMES m. Mildred DeFreese. He was ass't. cashier of the Silver City State Bank for several years; then was cashier of the Anderson Bank and is now Pres. of the Sidney Bank. They have 2 s. and 2 dau. MARION is now Mrs. Hansen and lives in Colo. and has 1 s. WILLIAM b. 11-8-1858 Muscatine, Ia. He farmed in Nebr. on the Pullman ranch for several yrs; later returned to Silver City and m. 10-9-1907 Mrs. Susie (Howser) McDermott, and became an enterprising farmer. She d. 2-16-1936 and he d. 8-12-1936. They had 3 ch; 2 d. young and Willa.

WILLA graduated from Silver City High School and Cedar Falls State Teachers. She has been a successful teacher in Ingraham twp and the Silver City Public Schools for several yrs. During World War II she was Mailman 1st. Class in San Francisco Fleet Post Office.

GEORGE McDERMOTT, stepson of William Pullman, b. 4-22-1891, Sterling Colo. m. 1-1-1931 Olga Bichel. They have 1 s. Bill now with the Armed Forces in Korea. George farmed with his step father for many yrs. and later farmed the home place. He now is farming at Lamoni Ia. He was identified with the Musical Groups in Silver City. He was a member of Spelbrings Concert Band for many yrs. in fact as long as it did exist. He was always considered as an exceptionally good musician and trombone soloist. JOHN, b. 1-12-1866, Muscatine Ia was one of Silver City's early successful business men, was educated at Gem City Business College, Quincy, Ill. a member of the school board, city council, Treas. of both school board and city; assessor; and member of I.O.O.F. and Encampment. He m. 9-18-1891 Ezra Spencer, a member of another pioneer family. They had 1 dau. Wayve, who d. 4-18-1914 after several yrs. invalidism. He d. 7-25-1911 after suffering an accident while setting up farm machinery. Mrs. Pullman was House Mother for a Sorority at Drake and Uni. of Nebr. for many yrs. She is now living in Silver City where she is active in church and community activities.

HENRY b. 1863 Muscatine Ia. m. 8-29-1900, Minnie Lewis. He was a business man in Silver City and successful farmer, dying 3-18-1936. Mrs. Pullman d. 3-4-1909. They had 3 ch; Elizabeth a graduate of Silver City high school and is now the w. of Herman Schoening, a successful farmer s. of town; Margaret, graduated from Silver City High School and the Jennis Edmundson Hospital School of Nursing, and was a Capt. in Army Nurses Corps during World War II. She is now Supervisor of the Hospital of Uni. of Nebr. in Omaha.

FRANK b. 1876 Ingraham Twp. was a business man in Silver City for many yrs. He m. Stella Petiti; they had 3 ch; Claire d. young, Clyde and Ward. They moved to Omaha a number of yrs.

ago where she d. 1952. He is a member of I. O. O. F. and Masonic Lodges. And of both he has been a member more than 50 yrs. ALBERT b. 1878 Ingraham Twp. was a successful farmer for many yrs., farming the old homestead. He m. Anna Kay. They have 2 ch; Georgia now Mrs. Ed. Rath of Council Bluffs and a graduate of Silver City High School, and Donald m. Grace Gutttau, graduated from Silver City High School and living in Calif. as are Mr. and Mrs. Pullman. JAMES b. 6-30-1881 Silver City, was a successful farmer; m. 4-2-1908, Alta J. Lewis. They had 1 dau. Harriett, now Mrs. Shirley Hendrix of this city and active in community affairs, since her graduation from Silver City High School. He d. 1-8-1919 and Mrs. Pullman, living here, is also active in community affairs. SOPHIA m. Wm. Mosely, had 4 ch; 1 s. d. young; JAMES now m. and living at Sidney where he is a successful farmer and GEORGE who is m. and also a successful farmer at Sidney. NEVA is Mrs. Art Hafer of this city. Her ch. are listed under her husband's life sketch. Mrs. Mosely is still living with her dau. Neva and is 93 yrs. old. MARY lived with and cared for her mother and raised the 3 ch. of her brother Henry after their mother's death. She d. 1945. MARGARET was the w. of Frank Plumer and her dau. are listed in her husband's life sketch. ELIZABETH was the w. of Davis Greenwood and her ch. are listed in her husband's life sketch. CHARLES, rem. Omaha where he d. several yrs. ago. PHILIP rem. Kansas where he d a number of yrs ago.

VanKIRK

JOHN VanKIRK, another pioneer of our community, was b. 7-25-1835 Washington, Co. Pa. He was the s. of Hamilton and Eliza (Snodgrass) VanKirk, HAMILTON VanKIRK was b. 5-16-1809 Washington Co. Pa. and was m. 4-2-1833 to Eliza Snodgrass. He was a stone and brick mason, contractor and builder as well as being a large landowner. They migrated to Ia. with their s. John where they lived for several yrs. Mr. VanKirk d. 10-19-1887 and Mrs. VanKirk d. 4-18-1895. JOHN VanKIRK m. 5-15-1856 Ann VanKirk, they moved to Silver City 1892 from their farm home. He d. 1-28-1913 and Mrs. VanKirk d. 3-21-1913. They had 8 ch. of whom 3 Edward, Marion and Laura reached maturity. MARION JOSEPH b. 11-26-1864 Washington Co. Pa. He was identified with his father's large land and stock operations. He m. 7-3-1895, Lyda Jackson. They had 1 dau. Ann, a graduate of Silver City High School and Drake Uni. She is now Mrs. Scott Pidgeon of Des Moines and has 2 dau; Marion and Jean both are m. and have ch; Marion VanKirk d. 1-15-1901 in the prime of life. EDWARD HAMILTON b. 8-14-1862, Washington Co. Pa. was also engaged in extensive farming and stock raising operations with his father. He m. 11-22-1883, Cecelia Frazier. In 1895 they moved into Silver City, where along with his farming operations, he became active in city affairs. He was a member of the council for many yrs. and served on the school board for 15 yrs. He was a devout member and great supporter of the Baptist church. They had 4 dau: Julia Etta, Georgia Anna, Mildred May and Beatrice Fern. He. d. 3-22-1922 and she d. 2-7-1953. ETTA graduated in music at Simpson after her graduation from Silver City High School. She taught music here for several yrs. and is now the w. of F. W. Anderson. GEORGIA received higher education after her high school graduation also and was a successful teacher for several yrs. before her m. to John Hettinger. MILDRED d. in young womanhood. BEATRICE graduated from Silver City High School and attended Nebr. Wesleyan, was now the w. of Gordon Vaughan of Lincoln Nebr. They have 1 s. d. Feb. 18-1954. LAURA, dau. of John VanKirk was educated at St. Francis School in Council Bluffs; she m. Dr. Walter Hostetter, an early dentist of Silver City; their dau; Gladys d. in her teens. She later m. Charles A. Moore and had 2 ch; Eunice and Clifford. She d. 9-15-1950.

BOND

WILLIAM was a farmer near Silver City for many years. He bought the old McClure Homestead and established his family there. He m. Millie Breeding. She d. 1950 and he d. 1953. They had 2 ch; Wilbert, graduated from Silver City High School. m. Inez Landis and is farming near Silver City. They have 7 ch; Robert in the service, Art, Clyde, Charlotte, Judy, Mary and Dorothy. ISABEL, graduated from Silver City High School, m. Ralph Hansen and lives near Malvern. They have 4 ch; Beverly m. Paul Smith, Donald in the service, Bill and Deanna.



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CHARLES H. b. 9-25-1865 Mills Co., m. 3-10-1892 Martha Schoening. He farmed near Mineola for several yrs. coming to Silver City 1900 where he was a hog buyer and owned part of the stock yards pens. In 1901 he went into partnership with Webster Mains in the grain and coal business, bought Mr. Mains out in 1912, did some remodeling 1912-14 and continued in this business until 1941 when he sold the elevator to John Waller and the coal business to Harry Gearhart. He was a stockholder in the Silver City State Bank for 36 yrs. served as Vice-President for many yrs. holding that office at the time of his death, 6-11-1946. He was a member of the Lutheran Church and Masonic Lodge. Mr. & Mrs. Kruse had 10 ch; 3 d young, Carl and Margaret d. in childhood, John Wm. Chris H., Edward W., Joseph H. and Raymond F. Mrs. Kruse still lives in the family home here in Silver City.

JOHN WILLIAM, b. 1-13-1893 near Mineola, graduated from Silver City High School and Mosher and Lampman Business College Omaha, worked in Omaha, and was ass't. Cashier of Silver City State Bank, Cashier of Randolph State Bank, went to Calif. 1928 where he is employed by the Super Degister Products Co. Pasadena. He served in the armed forces in World War I, is a member of the Masonic and Shrine Lodge. He m. 1927 Irene Miller of Pasadena they have 2 ch; John W. Jr. and Marvin.

JOHN W. Jr. b. 3-4-1929, graduated Pasadena and is now in the U.S. Naval Forces in the Korean Waters.

MARYLN b. 1931 graduated Pasadena High School, Junior College and U.C.L.A. and is now working in Pasadena.

CHRIS b. 8-28-1894, near Mineola and graduated from Silver City High School and Mosher and Lampman Business College Omaha, worked in Omaha several yrs, and in Butte and Helenc, Mont. has been farming with brother Ed. on the home place for a number of yrs. He served in the armed forces during World War I and was a Ger. prisoner for about 3 months. He is a member of Methodist Church and the American Legion. He m. 1933 Edna Williams, they have 3 ch; Harold, Phyl and Dean.

HAROLD b. 1935 graduated from Glenwood High School and is now working in Council Bluffs.

PHYLIS b. 1937 and DEAN b. 1942 and still in school and living at home.

EDWARD W. b. 1-28-1898 near Mineola, graduated from Silver City High School and

Boyles Business College, worked in Omaha and has been farming with brother Chris about 30 yrs. on the home place. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge.

JOSEPH H., b. 10-17-1902 Silver City graduated from Silver City High School and Boyles Business College, was ass't. cashier at Sidney and Randolph State Bank and came to Silver City in 1927 as cashier of the Silver City State Bank. He has been Vice-President of the Silver City Bank since 1935 when the 2 banks consolidated. He m. 1928 Essie Walker and they have 2 ch; James and Carita.

JAMES b. 1929, graduated from Silver City High School and Ames in Electrical Engineering and now is Electronics Inspector at Boeing Airplane Co. at Wichita, Kansas.

CARITA b. 1930 graduated from Silver City High School and Van Sant Business College, Omaha; m. Clinton B. Frank 1953, both are employed at Union Pacific in Omaha.

RAYMOND b. 4-7-1905 Silver City, graduated from Silver City High School and Boyles Business College, was ass't. cashier at Randolph and later farmed with his brothers Chris and Ed and later farmed alone, now living at Glenwood since 1950. He m. 1933 Lola Howser, and have 2 ch; Myron and Russel.

MYRON b. 1935 graduated from Glenwood High School now employed at Glenwood Tribune Office.

RUSSELL b. 1939 is living at home and still in High School.



Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Kruse and sons:
Joe, Chris, Ed, Raymond and Bill.



C.H. KRUSE HOMESTEAD

Another Kruse family is that of CONRAD H. who was born in Holstein, Germany; he came to Pottawattamie County at the age of 18. He was a member of the Lutheran Church. Mr. and Mrs. Kruse had 9 children: Mrs. Hugo Falk, Mrs. Lester Clara Harper, Edward, Conrad and Walter.

WALTER married Waunita Dovenspike, farmed for several years and died 5-20-1933. They had 2 children: Frances and Catherine.

EDWARD married Mildred Sell, is a successful farmer living North of Silver City. They have 2 children: Bonnie and Robert.

CONRAD Jr., married Genevieve Sell, they farm North of town and have 2 children: Gerald and Charles.

IRENE married Detlef Prien, lives in Silver City has 1 son Richard and is Supervisor of the School Lunch Program.



MARY JANE (post) HUFFAKER

Mary Jane Post was b. 1-19-1845, Centerville, Crawford Co. Pa. She moved with her parents to Attica Marion Co. Ia. 1865 and came to Mills Co. 12-11-1872 when she m. Henry Harrison Huffaker. They lived in a log house which stood about where the Buch Oil Station is now located on north main st. In 1882 they built their beautiful home on the peak of the west hill in Silver City. She was truly of the best example of the pioneer woman, giving of herself, her time and means to help anyone of her community. She was a loyal member of the Church of Christ (Mormon.) In 1876-79 she opened her house as a means of abode to many of the men who were constructing the Wabash R.R., and was thus repaid by the officials when they asked her to name the little village which was springing up on land leased from her husband for that purpose. The officials had suggested the village be named "Huffaker" but Mr. & Mrs. Huffaker, demurred. So because of the sparkling clear little Silver Creek near by Mrs. Huffaker suggested either "Silver Creek" or "Silver City". The officials choose "Silver City", and thus our little city was named by one of the most loved, honored and respected women of the little community. She died 2-4-1911.

IDA HUFFAKER McCUE

Ida Huffaker was b. 1-23-1875, Mills Co. the dau. of Lewis W. and Sarah (Henderson) Huffaker, pioneer of this community. She moved with her parents into the town of Silver City 1881 and attended the public school, being the first graduate of the Silver City High School 1891. She taught 2 country schools and spent 10 yrs. as primary teacher in Public School System. On 9-21-1904, she m. Dr. J.G. McCue. She continued active in community life as long as her health would permit. She had classes in pyrography, china painting and music as well as her Childrens Flower Club. She was active in the Methodist Church, Sunday School and music groups, being church organist and a member of the choir and quartet for many years. She helped organize the Woman's Club, the Public Library, and the Eastern Star Lodge and was Sec'y of the Cemetery Association for about 50 years. She died 2-21-1953.



MABEL SWARTS THOMAS

Mabel Swarts was b. 11-28-1888 Silver City, the dau. of William C. and Sarah Jane (Isminger) Swarts. She attended the Silver City Public School and graduated from the College of Medicine Creighton Uni. and spent several yrs. giving loving and professional care to her ailing mother. She later removed to San Diego Calif. where she practiced. Is married to Mr. Thomas of that city. She has no ch. Her twin sister, Mae is now Mrs. Floyd Hill of Silver City and is active in community life.





NELLIE MAY CADY, daughter of Lyman Edgar and Sara Elizabeth (Mac Nay) Cady was born Oct. 17, 1879 in Cambridge, Illinois. Came with her parents to Silver City in 1883. She received all her education in the old schoolhouse and was a member of the Class of 1897. She was married in Council Bluffs, Iowa, Sept. 12, 1900 to John J. Reimers, born Oct. 30, 1878, died Jan. 28, 1951 and was laid to rest in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Omaha, Nebraska. He was a 32nd degree Mason and Committal services were in charge of Scottish Rite Masons from eleven different lodges from Omaha, Jan. 30, 1951

The creamery was built in 1900 and the first manager was Will Rice. In Nov. 1901, the Waterloo Creamery Co. sent for John Reimers and asked him to take charge, which he did. Some years later, John bought a business for himself and the creamery closed forever. Mr. Reimers went to Papillion, Nebraska and had charge of the Condenser for the Waterloo Co.

CALDWELL

ROBERT CALDWELL was a negro barber in Silver City in the early days. He was one of the business men who suffered a loss from the fire of 1891. He married a widow with 2 little girls and they had baby boy while they lived here. Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell were well and favorably known here. He was a good Barber, their family was neat and well behaved. The oldest girl started to school here. All the children were cute and the townspeople made a lot over them. "Nigger Bob" as he was known to all was a good musician. He finally organized a Negro Minstrel Show and left here to take it on the road. Mrs. Caldwell didn't want to leave because she said everyone treated them so well and they were making a good living. "Nigger Bob" was operating a Negro Barber Shop on the south side of the square in Marysville, Mo. in about 1913. Roy Landon saw him there, and visited with him while he again gave Roy an excellent shave. And during World War II while Stella Pullman was doing war work she met and visited with one of the Caldwell daughters in Omaha where she too was doing war work.

TEATSWORTH

W. RILEY was a farmer near Silver City for many years, later moving into town. He m. 11-4-1886, Josephine Elizabeth Mann. They had 4 daus. Hazel d. young and Jessie m. Harvey Follet and d. a few years later. Their son Frank lives in Council Bluffs and has ch; GRACE is the wife of Dr. C.O. Johnson of Silver City and is prominent in lodge and club work here; FERN m. Lenard Lond and had 2 ch; EVA graduated from Silver City High School. Received higher education, taught for several years, served as a Wac during World War II, is now Mrs. Kenneth Johnson of Silver City; and a son living in Colo. She later m. George Canfield and had 2 daughters.

PLUMB

There were three brothers, Rev. Frances, Robert and John Plumb who were pioneers of this community. They married sisters of Hon. John Parker also a pioneer and all were natives of England.

REV. FRANCES PLUMB was a circuit rider for the Methodist Episcopal Church in western Iowa coming from Indiana. He is listed as an early minister of the Malvern Methodist Church which was organized as a portion of a circuit 4-24-1870. Rev. Plumb served other churches in S. W. Iowa. He owned a farm in Ingraham Township where he and his wife both died. He died 12-6-1896.

THOMAS F. PLUMB son of Rev. and Mrs. Plumb was born 11-28-1854 Crawfordsville, Ohio. He came to Mills County as a child with his parents, and married 1-19-1876 Mary Eliza Robertson. They farmed east of Silver City for a number of years, later moving into Silver City where he was postmaster for several years. He was a member of I. O. O. F. and a supporting and sustaining member of the Methodist Church. He died 11-11-1918 during a street celebration of the allied victory in World War I. Mrs. Plumb died 10-10-1939. They had 7 children: ROY and CARL died in childhood, BERTHA, taught in Silver City Public Schools married Wm. Agan, lived in Glenwood many years where she died Dec. 1953. They had 2 children: LUCILLE married Amos Meeks has 3 children, and lives at Red Oak; and RALPH lives in Glenwood married Elaine Alberts and has 3 children. CLARA had a millinery store in Silver City for a number of years; married Parker Plumb who died 1938, she is now Mrs. Barnes and lives in Great Falls, Montana. ANNA taught in Silver City Public Schools several years married Philo Towers lives in Texas where he is connected with the J. C. Penney Co.

ALICE graduated from S. C. H. S. married Earl Bryant and lives in Bryon, Texas where he is connected with the J. C. Penney Co. HARRY W. born 2-7-1894 Silver City, graduated from S. C. H. S. and Omaha Business College, employed by Morris Packing Co. in Michigan, later went to Abilene Texas with the J. C. Penney Co.; lived also Bryan and Kingsville where he died 6-7-1934. He married 11-4-1919 Mary Nooman who lives Texas. They had 1 daughter Mary Alice. He was a member of Methodist Church and a World War I. Veteran. ROBERT one of the pioneer brothers married in Ohio Mrs. Jane (Parker) Skeritt. They came to Mills County in the year 1860, where he was a prominent stock farmer in Ingraham Township. They later moved to Malvern where he died 9-16-1896. She died 11-14-1911. They had 4 daughters: Alice, Mrs. Beibee; Iva, Mrs. Axtell, Mary, Mrs. Stevenson and Rose is Mrs. Austin, also John Skeritt a son of Mrs. Plumb by a former marriage. JOHN, the last of the 3 pioneer brothers married Millicent Parker and lived in upper Sandusky, Ohio later coming to Ingraham Township 1862. Their son PARKER VALENTINE born 2-9-1857 at Upper Sandusky, Ohio, came with his parents to Ingraham Township where he was a successful farmer for many years; later moving into Silver City, served as its Mayor and was always an energetic and supporting member of the Methodist Church and I. O. O. F. Lodge. He married 12-31-1878 Minnie Robertson who died March 1925. They had no children, but had an adopted daughter; Ada Parker married Harry Alexander. He later married his neice Clara B. Plumb 1-12-1927 and lived at Colorado Springs Colorado, where he died 6-21-1938.

BAKER-WILLIAMS

HENRY WILLIAMS born 12-2-1859 at Ollerton Devenshire England; he came to Silver City in 1904 where he farmed until his death 10-3-1928. He married 2126-1884 Sarah Ann Wright. She followed her husband to America in 1904, both being called here by the serious illness of their daughter LAURA, who was Mrs. Ruford Snipes. Mrs. Snipes died before her mother arrived, however, Mr. Baker was a member of the Church of England and of Buffalo Lodge No. 144 of England. Mrs. Baker died 7-30-1940. Of their children: Sidney and Mabel died young; ELSIE married Earl Gray and lives in Ladysmith, Wisconsin. ETHEL married William Williams in England. They have lived on a farm near Silver City for many years. Both are members of the Church of England. They had 16 children: PAULINE MARIE and DONALD NORMAN died young. RONALD ROBERT was killed in Korea 7-16-1952 and buried in Silver City Cemetery with full military honors: John, William H., Arnold, Darrel, Jennie married Harley Atterberry and Phyllis married Glen Franke all lives near Silver City; George lives at Strahan, Victor lives at Emerson, Norma married Eldon Grudle, Arlene married Donald Spetman, May married Roy Robinson and Eva married Dick Hunt, all live at Malvern; and Edna married Chris Kruse and lives at Glenwood.

SAM AND SID REW FAMILIES



SID REW came from England as a young man in 1883, following his brother, SAM, who came in 1882. They came to the farm home of thier cousin, George T. Rew. Both were jovial young fellows and enjoyed farming in their new country.

SAM married Abbie Frost and they moved to Wayne Co. Nebr., near Windside where they bought a farm and made their home. He was a heavy cattle feeder and operated his own farms. There was one son, CLARENCE, who is now with the Lee Commission Company on the Sioux City Market. The daughters, BESS and DOROTHY, live in Calif., where they both are bank employees. Mrs. Rew passed away in 1912 after a lingering illness and Mr. Rew died in 1940. SID spent several years ranching in central Kansas but dry seasons brought him back to Iowa. He and Bertha Ferrel were m. Feb. 1897 at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Farrel.

They lived on the George Rew ranch for many years. Sid served as Secretary of the Excelsior Dist. School board, where the daughters, Veda and Gertrude attended. The son, Sidney was born after they moved to the farm south of Tabor. Sid was a wonderful stockman, especially was he a good horseman in the days when horses were horses. It was said he could get more from a team without hurting them than most anyone else. He had the faculty of witching for water with a special twig and if the well was dug where he indicated, a good vain was sure to be found. The family moved to Tabor in the spring of 1910 where he continued to take an active part in the progress and advancement of his community. His jovial spirit never failed him until he passed away in April 1950 at the age of 85.

The elder daughter, VEDA, graduated from Randolph High School and then attended Normal School at State Teacher's College in Wayne, Nebr. She taught school for several years and then married Russell Myers of Tabor, Ia. Immediately following their marriage, Russell entered the service in World War I. At the close of the war he spent several months with the army of occupation in France. On his return, they started farming and in 1923 moved to Silver City. Two sons were born to them but passed away in infancy. Mr. and Mrs. Myers are both deeply interested in church and community activities. Mrs. Myers is now president of the W.S.C.S. and a Past Matron of the O.E.S. Russell is on the church board and both are active in the Legion and Auxiliary.

The younger daughter, GERTRUDE, was graduated from High School, attended State Teacher's College at Wayne and later married John West of Elliott, Ia., who served in the navy during World War I. John is engaged in the Standard Oil Business at Griswold where they have their home. Their daughter, MARY ALICE, is married and living on the farm near Griswold. The son, JOHN BERNARD, is an instructor at Ames where both he and his wife have received Master's Degrees. John Bernard will receive his Doctor's Degree in Chemical Engineering in June of this year. They have three children. The son, SIDNEY, graduated from Tabor High School and farmed with his father for several years. He then went to California, where he married and is now making his home.

By Rew Burgoin

WRIGHT

JOHN WILLIAM b. 1850 son of George and Mary Wright. He farmed for several years, finally decided to become a Methodist Minister. He served the Silver City Methodist Church for 10 yrs., moved to Malvern when he retired and d. there 6-30-1927. He m. 1-26-1927. Lillie E. Swayne, she d. 11-25-1926, both are buried at Silver City. They had 5 ch; Susan, taught in Silver City, m. George Gilchrist; Mary, graduated from Silver City High School, and m. Mark Swarts, June taught for several years and was Mrs. Riker of Boone where she d. a few years ago; Anita was also a teacher for a number of years, she m. Seth Carlson who d. a few years later and is buried in Silver City; and George Alva who lived in Colorado.

HENDRIX

SHIRLEY E. HENDRIX, born 1-4-1909 in McClelland, Iowa. He was graduated from S. C. H. S. and Post Graduate course at Tech High in Omaha; married 3-20-1937 Harriett L. Pullman. Since 1938 he has owned and operated the Standard Oil Station in Silver City, with the exception of 3 years he served in army in World War II. He is a member of Mason's, City Council, and volunteer fire department.

LANDON

ERASTUS FELTON was b. 1-12-1833, Bucyrus, Ohio. He came to Mills Co. 1857, where he worked as a cabinet maker and carpenter for several yrs. He helped build the present court house at Glenwood as well as many of the old land marks in the county. He m. 12-30-1859 Mary Jane Looker, whose father was owner of an old Stage Inn at Savannah Mo. In 1865, they homesteaded 240 acres 2 1/2 miles S.E. of the present site of Silver City, and moved into the town 1898. He was identified with the growth and development of this community, serving as twp. trustee for 20 yrs. After moving to town, he was councilman for many years, Vice-Pres. of the Silver City State Bank and was city Treas. at the time of his death 6-28-1908. He was a leading I.O.O.F. and Encampment and Masonic Lodge member. After they had lived in this community many yrs. Mr. Landon and Erastus F. Banister found that they were both named for the same circuit rider, Erastus Felton, in Ohio and that they had grown up not many miles apart. Mr. and Mrs. Landon were the parents of 6 ch; Clotilda, Douglas, Felton, Roy and twin boys who d. young.

CLOTILDA attended the academy at Malvern where she did much oil and water color painting, several pictures are in possession of the family today. She m. Sanford Babbitt who d. 1898. She later m. James R. Lawson, who was a well known Poland China hog breeder in this community and later at Shenandoah. Their s.d. young. She was a res. of Silver many yrs. and was identified with the Methodist Church and community groups. She d. 1943.

STEVEN ARNOLD DOUGLAS, b. 12-20-1863, Glenwood, was a farmer, implement and hardware dealer; and was the first Ford dealer in Silver City. He m. 12-10-1910 Ruth Whipple. In later yrs. they lived in Omaha and Carson, removing to Ventura Calif a few yrs. before he d. 9-2-1949. They had 2 ch; Arnold G. and Margaret Allene.

ARNOLD GIFFORD, b. 9-27-1911 Silver City, graduated from Carson High School and the Dental College of the Uni. of Ia. He served in the Navy as an enlisted man for several yrs. 2 of them being in the West Indies. During World War II, he had the rank of Lieut. Sr. Grade in the Navy and was at the Great Lakes and Paris Island Naval Training Stations. He is now practicing at Garner Ia., where he is identified with the professional, business and social life at that city. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, Am. Legion, Rotary Club, Masonic and Scottish Rite lodges. He m. 10-26-1935 Leona Wright of New Hampshire. They have 2 children, Pamela Beth and Lovell Theodore. MARGARET ALLENE, graduated from Carson High School; is now Mrs. Lenard Payne of Ventura Calif. She is a Civil Service employee at the Sea Bee Base at Ventura as is also her husband. They have 1 s. Kenneth Ray.

ROY PAINE, b. 4-25-1876, Ingraham twp., was educated in the public school and Shenandoah College. He farmed the old homestead until 1915; also farmed at Hillsdale and at Hopkins, Mo. He was twp. trustee several yrs. and Sec'y. of Prairie Valley School for 15 yrs. He m. 9-28-1898, Viva Grace Huffaker a member of a pioneer family. They were parents of 3 ch; Ada and Ida, twins, and Elton. He was a member of the Methodist Church, Masonic and Eastern Star Lodges and Silver Grange. He d. 3-7-1928 and she d. 8-26-1935. Their dau. Ada d. young. IDA graduated from Silver City High School, received higher education at Cornell graduate N.W. Missouri State Teachers. She taught at Woodbine and Akron Ia. She m. 9-17-1937 Roy A. Flanagan, a member of another pioneer family. She is a member of several patriotic societies: D.A.R., Dau. American Colonists and Dau. of Colonial Wars in Nebr.; and the Society of Mayflower Descendant of Iowa of which group she has been a member of the Executive Board for several yrs. She is also a member of the American Legion Auxiliary and was a member of the Iowa Departments Executive Board while holding the offices of Seventh District Pres., Dept. Chaplain, and Dept. Treasurer. She was also Dept. Americana Char.

ELTON F. was b. 3-22-1910. He graduated from Hopkins Mo. High School, received higher education at Creighton Uni., was a merchant in Silver City and a pharmacist and manager of Frank Street Pharmacy in Council Bluffs; he is now farming with his brother-in-law R.A. Flanagan. He m. 10-7-1931, Eram Lou Jensen, a graduate of Jennie Edmundson Hospital School of Nursing. They have 2 ch; ROBERT PHILIP, a graduate of Abraham Lincoln High School and now serving in the U.S. Army; and JOYCE ANN, a graduate of Abraham Lincoln High School and now a secretary for an Omaha Business Firm.

BURGOIN

ERNEST BURGOIN and Helen Cave were married at Exeter in England just before the turn of the century. Ernest had been raised on the farm and when he ventured for himself, it was in the slaughtering and processing of meat animals. He had his meat market in Exeter. They came to Toronto, Canada where he operated a meat market for two years and then on to Silver City about 1912. After coming to Iowa Mr. Burgoin followed the occupation of farming. His winter days were unusually busy and relatives and neighbors were never denied his efficient assistance at butchering time. In those days, there were no locker plants with slaughtering facilities attached. He prided himself in the cleanliness of his work and the attractiveness of the dressed carcass and he was often heard to say, "It is a beautiful piece of meat." There were four children born in England, Bill, Florence, Edith and Arthur. Clarence was born after they came to Silver City. They paid a return visit to England during the winter months of 1928, a trip which afforded both of them a great deal of pleasure. Mrs. Burgoin was a very happy person but passed away at an early age, after a lingering illness, in 1935. Mr. Burgoin passed away in California in 1950 and burial was in the Silver City Cemetery beside his wife. Of their family, BILL is owner of a turkey ranch near Canoga Park, Calif.

FLORENCE married Gail Burgoin and passed away in 1925 leaving one son Donald Gail Burgoin. Don married Betty Henderson and they have a son, Billie Joe and a daughter, Gayle Ann.

EDITH has the jovial characteristics of her mother and has made her home for a number of years in Council Bluffs with Mrs. George Krasne. ARTHUR married Gladys Speer of near Silver City and they live in Canoga Park, California. They have one daughter, Shirley, who is married and has one son. CLARENCE married Nellie Godfrey in 1942 in the first wedding ceremony performed in the new Methodist Church building. They lived on the farm, are serving in the school and church. At present, Nellie is chairman of Christian Social Relations in the W.S.C.S. They have a son, Robert, and a daughter Kathy.

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CLIPSON

ROLLIN WILLIAM born 4-1-1870 Glenwood, Iowa. He lived at Clarinda and Omaha before coming to Silver City in 1890. He was a painter and interior decorator. Mr. Clipson was active in community life, having served on the town council and school board; being also a member of the Baptist Church, I.O.O.F. and Knights of Pythias Lodges. He married 12-18-1894 Dora Matel Sidener. They had 4 children: Hugh William, Carlisle C., Vivian and Bernice Dee. He died 9-21-1930 and she died 7-18-1947. HUGH WILLIAM born 8-8-1896 at Silver City, graduated from S.C.H.S. and was mail carrier out of Silver City for several years, also farmed near here and is now farming near Lenox, Ia. He married Gertrude Falwell of Blue Springs, Nebraska. They have 3 daughters: Grace Marilyn, Joy Ann and Phyllis. GRACE MARILYN graduated from Lenox H.S. and married Benjamin Gleckler and lives at New Virginia, Ia. They have 2 children: Susan Jane and George William. JOY ANN, graduated from Lenox H.S. and married 3-18-1946 Maurice Max Cochran of Des Moines, Ia. They are living at Bellevue, Nebr. and have 1 son: Billy Hugh. PHYLLIS GERTRUDE, graduated from Lenox H.S. married Thomas Rittgers of Dallas Center, Ia. They are living at Ames and have 2 children: Mark Thomas and Hugh John. CARLISLE C. was born 3-15-1898 at Silver City, graduated from S.C.H.S. and has been the rural mail carrier out of Silver City for 35 years. He married Eleanor Ruth Stogdill and they have 7 children: Dorothy Carlisle, Helen Mae, James C., Richard William, Mary Elizabeth, Francis Carol and John Rollin. DOROTHY CARLISLE, graduated from S.C.H.S. received higher education at Simpson College and taught for several years. She married Dr. Joe Machacek of Los Angeles where they live. They have 2 children: Leslie Jo and Donald Micheal. HELEN MAE graduated from S.C.H.S. and attended Lincoln School of Commission, for 2 yrs. She was with Maritime Commission Washinton D.C. for 2 yrs. and was Medical Tec't in W.A.C. Division in World War II and spent 2 years in Japan and Okinawa. She married Rudolph G. Bymaster, Jr. and lives in Los Angeles, Calif.

JAMES C. graduated from S.C.H.S. and served 6 years in World War II. He is manager of a Safeway Store in Los Angeles. He married Geralene DeBell. They have 2 children: Larry James and Theresa Marie.

RICHARD WILLIAM graduated from S.C.H.S.; attended Lincoln University 1 year and Omaha University 1 year. He was Lt. Jr. Grade in the Navy during World War II. He is now manager of Postal Finance Co. of Omaha. He married Gelena Fisher of Pacific Junction, they have 1 son Richard William II, and are living in Glenwood.

MARY ELIZABETH graduated from S.C.H.S. and Wesleyan University of Lincoln. She was the F.H.A. Washington D.C. and Bell Telephone Company at Lincoln, she is now teaching in Silver City Public schools and living with her parents.

FRANCES CAROL graduated from S.C.H.S. and was a stenographer in Omaha for several years. She died suddenly 4-23-1951 in Los Angeles while visiting her sister Dorothy. She is buried at Silver City.

JOHN ROLLIN, born 8-15-1933, graduated from S.C.H.S. and received higher education at Wesleyan University. He is now serving in the Marine Corp and sings with the Marine Corp Band at San Francisco.

VIVIAN graduated at S.C.H.S. received higher education at Boulder Colorado, she taught in Silver City Public Schools. She married Olaff Coffey, has 1 son, Olaff Clipson, and lives near Sharpsburg, Ia. Her son Olaff is now in National Guard.

BERNICE DEE graduated from S.C.H.S., taught several years and was associated with her father in a paint and paper store in Glenwood. She has been manager of the Franksen and Johnson Paint and Paper Store in Glenwood for several years.

TUCKER

GEORGE TUCKER was an English pioneer to Mills County in the early days. He was married to Miss Serence Miller, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson Miller. They had come from Indiana when their family was young and settled on their farm north and east of Silver City. Mr. and Mrs. Tucker first settled on the north end of their farm adjoining Pott. Co. and later built their new home a mile east of Excelsior School. They had four children: Rena, Florence, Lydia and George. When George was but two years old, the father passed away and the mother was left with the responsibilities of a young family and completing payment for the home. She met that challenge, paid for the home and educated the family. When the oldest daughter, RENA, and Wm. Westcott were married and settled on a farm near Woodbine. The Westcotts raised four boys: George of Amherst College in Mass., Fred and Dwight on the farm at Denison Denison, Ia. and Horace who lives in Chicago.

FLORENCE married Claude Cater at Woodbine and they with the daughter, Katherine, lived in Silver City from 1931-1916 where Mr. Cater was cashier of the Farmer's State Bank. It was during their residence in Silver City, that Mrs. Tucker passed away in their home and was buried in their family plot. Mr. and Mrs. Cater moved to Greeley, Colo. in 1916 where Mr. Cater passed away, and where Mrs. Cater still has her home. Katherine, now Mrs. H.D. Hecht, has three children, and they live in Berkley, Calif. where he is with United Airlines. LYDIA lives in the home at Woodbine; and George Tucker married lives in Greeley, Colo. where George is now a retired John Deere Implement dealer. Mr. and Mrs. Tucker were parents of 2 daughters: Louise and Mary, who are both now in their own homes.

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ROBINSON

NATHANIEL born 12-25-1840 at Illinois. He married 12-27-1874 Lucinda Cockler. He came to Mills County in 1882; was a farmer and member of the Baptist Church. He died 12-25-1927 and Mrs. Robinson died a few yrs. later. They had 7 children: 2 died young, Stanford, Olive, Bertha, John and Roy, who married May Williams, he served in the Navy in World War I, and lives in Malvern, Iowa.



JACKSON'S EARLY HEARSE

Fred Applebee and James Pullman, the team belongs to James Pullman

JACKSON

JAMES CAMPBELL, b. 1-24-1851 Washington Co. Pa. s. of Robert and Margaret (Snodgrass) Jackson; m. 10-2-1873 Mary Ann Denman. They came to Silver City 1881 where they operated the Silver Star Hotel for a number of yrs. He also owned and operated one of the first Livery Stables as well as being a plumber here for a long time. Shortly after arriving here, he realized the need for an undertaker in the community and started upon that business which he continued along with his other interests until just a few yrs. before his death. He was one of the oldest business men in terms of years in business at the time of his death. 12-27-1932. She d. 8-14-1935. They had 1 daughter LYDA who stayed in Pa. to finish her education. She then joined her parents in Silver City where she m. Marion VanKirk. They had 1 dau. ANN, a graduate of Silver City High School and Drake Univ. She was a very talented musician. She m. Scott Pidgeon of Des Moines. They have 2 dau. Marion and Jean both are m. and have ch. After Mr. VanKirk d. Lyda m. Clarence Virtue. They had 1 s. CLARENCE, a graduate of S.C.H.C. and Uni. of Ia. School of Law. He is an Attorney at Fresno Calif. m. and has no. ch. A number of yrs later she m. Harry W. Anderson; they have a dau. Dorothy, a graduate of Silver City High School, now the w. of Harry Gilmore of Glenwood and has 1 dau. Mary; a s. Ardath Long from a former marriage several yrs ago.

The pioneer of an another Jackson family was DEWILDS C., b. 7-25-1841. Beaver Co. Pa. He came to Mills Co. following the Civil War in 1865, covering the 300 mile from Fort Madison, Ia. with a team and wagon in 10 days. There were just 3 prairie shanties between Red Oak and White Cloud. He settled in Old Pacific City where he lived for 12 yrs. He then moved to Ingraham twp. where he lived 16 yrs. and 16 yrs. in Silver City. Then moved to Glenwood to be near his ch. and d. there 3-22-1921. He m. 10-20-1867 Mary J. Moore. They had 8 ch: Mrs. John Tipton. Mrs. E.S. Warren, Mrs. John Hallam, Russel, T.A. Jackson, and Richard O. John. He was a member of I.O.O.F. in Silver City.

Another pioneer by the name Jackson was ANDREW of the East Liberty community. He was b. 2-1-1842. Montgomery Co. Ind. and settled permanently in Mills Co. in 1867. He m. 12-25-1865 Deliah Tipton. They had 5 dau. Nora, Eva, Lulu, Nellie and Lizzie. Nellie is now the wife of Rev. Grant Parker and lives in Council Bluffs.

SIDENER-SPENCER

The pioneer of this family was George Washington Sidener and his wife Harriett Lathrop Sidener. Mr. Sidener was born in Kentucky and raised in Indiana where his father had built a Baptist Church and Cemetery on his land. Harriett Lathrop, who became the wife of George Washington Sidener was a French Canadian being of both French and English descent. She was descended from the Lanthrops of England who were among the people opposed to the Church of England. This Rev. Lathrop should have sailed with the Pilgrim Fathers on the Mayflower but he was one of the ones imprisoned and thus his landing on American shores was delayed until 1634. This Lathrop family grew and spread from Branstable, Mass. into Connecticut, Vermont and Canada, back to Vermont and finally to Indiana. Each generation had its minister and each was of the Baptist faith. So Harriett (Lathrop) Sidener true to her ancestors helped to build the Baptist Church in Silver City and continued as a staunch supporting member along with her husband as long as they both lived. Mr. Sidener was a large landowner and farmer. They later moved into Silver City. They had 6 children: Ezra, Martin, Sidney, Abie, Sarah and Sarilda.

EZRA LATHROP born 3-17-1840 at Greenburg, Decatur County Indiana. He married in 1860 Mary H. Dunbar. They came to Ingraham Township in 1868 and farmed for many years, later moved into Silver City. They had 5 children: George, Frank, Dora, and 2 children died young. He died 7-10-1911 and Mrs. Sidener died 6-17-1917. Was a breeder of fine horses.

GEORGE lived in Lincoln many years. He married Lola Edmundson an early teacher in Silver City. She died 1936 and he died 4-23-1938. They had 1 son Ray who still lives in Lincoln.

FRANK married and lived in California.

DORA married Rollo W. Clipson her children are listed under her husband.

MARTIN F. born 3-12-1842 in Decatur County Indiana was educated there and married 3-22-1864 Levey Clive. They came to Ingraham Township in 1868. He farmed for several years then moved to Silver City where he owned and operated a livery stable. He was a breeder of fine horses. He died 12-29-1887 and Mrs. Sidener died 12-4-1931. They had 4 children: Della, Inez, Mattie, Elkanak. DELLA was educated in public schools and married Dr. R.A. Moore a Silver City doctor. Her children are listed in their father's life sketch.

INEZ married Chas. W. Erwin. She is still living at the Good Samaritan Rest Home in Tabor.

MATTIE (Molly) married Chas. Brown. She lived in Hastings for many years and died there 1-28-1954. Her son died a few years ago. ELKANAK lived in Hastings for many years. He died 12-2-1942.

SIDNEY G. born 5-7-1845 at Decatur County Indiana. He married Oct. 1866, Esther Guthrie. They had 2 children: Mettie B. who died at age 14 in 1883 and Avery. Mrs. Esther Sidener died 2 weeks after the daughter 11-26-1883. He married 10-8-1885 FLORA E. RAVE. They had 1 child who died young. Mr. Sidener came to Ingraham Township in 1868.

He and his wife were charter members of the Baptist Church of Silver City. AVERY was living in Cincinnati, Ohio at the time of his father's death 5-2-1919. ABIE married George Harrison, they lived in Silver City for a number of years. He was considered a fine horseman. They moved to California where he died. She later married James R. Allison and early resident of Silver City Community who moved to Kansas in 1898 where several of his children live today.

SARAH married Philip Spencer a native of New York born there about 1837. Mr. Spencer was a contractor and fine wood worker. He helped build the west wing of the Deaf and Dumb Institution at Council Bluffs and he was the architect and contractor of the 1st Methodist Church in 1863 and he built many of the early homes in Silver City. He died 1-31-1895 and Mrs. Spencer died a few years before. They had 3 children: Ezza, Ode, and Maude. EZZA SPENCER married John Pullman and is listed in her husband's life sketch.

ODE SPENCER married I.S. Little, her family is listed with her husband. MAUDE married William Peterson. She had 2 children: FREDERICK now living in Mason City where he has a Gift Shop. His mother lives in Mason City also. NEVA is a teacher at Ames. SARILLDA

SIDENER married Ike Wolverton and lived in Silver City. She later married David Spencer in

March-1886, who was born 6-30-1839 at Masonville, New York. He was a well known, jolly, friendly man known to all as "Uncle Dave". He lived in Silver City many years and died 2-14-1905 in Lincoln, Nebraska and was buried at Silver City with Masonic rites.

HETTINGER

JOHN N. was born 9-13-1846 at Hombach, Germany. He came to America in 1848 lived in Chicago and Muscatine, Glenwood and to Silver City in 1880. He was an early merchant in Silver City being associated with his nephew George Pullman. He married Lillian McCoy who died 6-1-1897 and he married 2-21-1899. Mrs. F.E. Richards. He died 12-30-1914 at Lawton, Iowa and was buried in Silver City. He was a member of Knights of Pythias Lodge. He had 4 children: Grover, Allan, Mae, and 1 died young. This family lived at Lawton, Iowa. MAE married C.F. Brockney. WILLIAM born 4-15-1853 at Chicago, Illinois and lived at Muscatine before coming to Ingraham Township. He married 2-22-1876 Julia Barbara Miller, they had 4 children: Addie, John, Frank and Carrie. He was a successful farmer for many years and was a member of the Methodist Church, I.O.O.F. and Encampment Lodges. Mrs. Hettinger died 9-17-1917, he died 10-20-1928. ADDIE married John Tucker, a native of England. He was a brick layer for many years in Silver City where he died 1-6-1923. He was a member of I.O.O.F. and Masons. They had 1 daughter: Barbara a graduate of Silver City High School and the Jennie Edmundson Hospital School of nursing. She is now Mrs. James Kokrdar and has 2 children: Donald and Barbara Louise.

JOHN has lived in or near Silver City all of his life. He has been a successful farmer for many years and retired about a year ago. He married Georgia VanKirk. They have no children. He has always been active in community band and I.O.O.F. groups. John was b. 3-19-1883.

FRANK lived in Silver City, farmed for several years also lived in Omaha where he died a few years ago. He married Leona Schultz who also died a few years ago. They had 1 daughter: Doris now Mrs. Herbert Bassett of Omaha. CARRIE married C.M. Vandas of Omaha where he owned and operated a Drug Store for many years. They have 2 children: Charles William and Juanita. LEWIS born 1855 in Chicago, Illinois, he was also an early business man of Silver City where he operated the Cottage Hotel. He married Alve Sindt. They had 10 children 2 died young Edwin, Harry, Alfred, James, Meda, Belva, Fern and Novella.

HARRY and ED are druggists in Idaho, Falls. ALFRED has been a business man and salesman in Council Bluffs. He and his wife Belle, have 1 son, Robert. BELVA married Fred Fogle and has one son. MEDA married E.A. Stevens, editor of the Silver City Times and Woodbine, Iowa for many years. They now live at Washington D.C. to be near their daughter Grace and her family. Fern is now Mrs. Bolton of Council Bluffs and Novella is Mrs. Bester of Omaha.

PETTIT

FRANK born 9-1-1849 Muscatine, Iowa. He married 8-29-1872 to Olive Gordon, he lived at Kanasville (Council Bluffs) and came to Silver City, 1891. He was a carpenter, member of Baptist Church, I.O.O.F. Lodge. They had 4 children: Emma, Lula, Guy D., Stella and Beryl. He died 11-18-1928 and she died 3-19-1929. EMMA LULU was a dressmaker and also operated a millinery dept. in a Silver City General Store for several years. She died 4-13-1935. GUY D. born 11-9-1874 at Muscatine, Iowa. He was an interior decorator and barber. He m. 3-6-1900 to Alta Rains. They had 4 children: Lloyd, Donald, Wallace and Ruth. He died 5-9-1941. RUTH is now Mrs. Joe Miller living at Fort Collins, Colo. and her mother lives in the same town.

SPEER

JOHN m. Mrs. Mary (Baukemper) Sarr. They lived on her farm north of Silver City many years, finally moving into town where he was a merchant for a number of years. She d. 11-14-1937. He now lives in Calif. near his daughter GALDYS now Mrs. "Shorty" Burgoin of Canajo Park Calif. They have a dau. Shirley m. and living in Calif. His son Dale is in Calif.



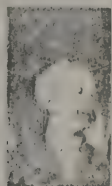
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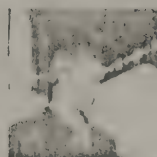
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John VanKirk



R.P. Landon

EARLY BUSINESS MEN

GODFREY

W.F. GODFREY was born in Topsham, England in 1892. The family had its share of pioneering instinct; for the other brother, William, went to Australia as a govt engineer, the sister Marjorie remained with the widowed mother and took up private tutoring. Walter came to Iowa when 18 years of age to the home of Mr. and Mrs. George T. Rew. He became interested in farming and especially fine animals. Here he met his future wife, Elsie Baugh. Elsie was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Baugh, who moved to Clifton Hill, Mo. and bought their farm home when the family were yet young. There were three girls and four boys in the family and Mrs. Baugh is now still on the farm at 88 yrs. of age. Elsie came back to Iowa and made her home with Mrs. Rew until her death in 1915. She and Walter Godfrey were married at the home of her parents in Missouri, and immediately returned to Silver City to take up farming. Their first son, Robert, died in 1927 at the age of 10. The daughter, Nellie, graduated from the Silver City High School and was married to Clarence Burgoin April 4, 1942 in the Methodist Church. They have two children, a son Robert and a daughter, Kathy. The younger son, Donald graduated from High School at Treynor and later was married to Ruby Smith of Henderson, Ia. They have one son Dickie, Ruby is very active in 4-H work and they are both church workers at Wesley Chapel. Besides farming and family activities, which were heavy because Walter feeds a lot of cattle for the Omaha market, Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey have always found time for community and church work. Both have had Sunday School Classes for years. Walter has served in various positions and the church board. Elsie served in all capacities in the Ladies Aid too and when the new W.S.C.S. was organized she was for years the chairman of Christian Social Relations. In their rural community better known as "Lone Star", she was a member of O.T.O. Women's Club and both were active in Farm Bureau work. Elsie passed away very suddenly March 1, 1953 and was buried on their family plot at Silver City. She had been an active member of the Cemetery Association for years. Mr. Godfrey maintains their home in Lone Star neighborhood and remains active in cattle feeding on a much larger than average scale.

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PARMAN

WALTER born 2-28-1887, married 2-22-1912 Erma Wilson of Denver, Missouri. They have 3 daughters: Helen Peppmier, Irene married A. F. Childs and has 2 daughters: Bernice Fries, has 1 daughter. Mr. Parman farmed for a number of years, owned and operated the Restaurant for several years and is working in the office of the Child's Feed Store and Trucking Firm.

DIETCHLER

HARVEY born 9-18-1900 Silver City. He farmed many years and owned and operated a pump and windmill shop. He married Fae Haines who was born 6-10-1897 and has been the Silver City Postmaster since 1934. They have 2 sons, Kenneth married and has 2 sons, Lee is married to Dixie Skinner and has 1 daughter.

MILLS

SAMUEL N. was born 12-6-1855 at Fountain Co. Indiana. He came to Mills County 1882. He married 2-22-1877 Mary C. Leighty. They had 10 children: Minnie, William, Mildred married Stout, John T. married Edith Spake, Guy L. died a number of years ago, Julia married Ray Allensworth, Charles married Edna Hunt, lives in Silver City where he has been a Wabash section man for many years. They have 7 children: Gail, Margaret, Gladys, Gerald, Harold, Donald, Max. Gladys married John Roberts, Bernice married Leslie Allensworth and Robert R. is a resident of Silver City.

MERK

DAVID born 1885 died 1942. He married 9-11-1910 Myrtle Gish. He farmed was a member of I.O.O.F. and Rebekah Lodges. They had 3 children: Darrel, William, and Mercedes married John Clark.

WRIGHT

JOHN WRIGHT and Dora Powers were married at the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. James Burgoin in Feb. 1913. Following the ceremony, the members of the Fancy Work Club took over the Reception with a final charivari and send-off to their new home which was in readiness for their occupancy on the Park Plumb farm and which they later purchased.

Dora, her sister, Rachel, and brother, Ralph, came from England in 1906 and the latter two eventually went on to Canada.

John was born at Glenwood, Ia. but moved with his parents to Mo. and as a young man returned to Iowa. After their marriage they continued deeply interested in church and community affairs. John was on the church board for a number of years and taught in the Sunday School. Dora had S.S. class and assisted in the Ladies Aid. John served on the school at Osborn Valley School and as Ingraham Township Assessor for years. His lamb crops would arrive on the farm in January, and he ready to top the Omaha market in April. One child passed away in infancy and they have a son, Charles and a daughter, Marie. After graduation from high school, Charles was stationed in the east in the dental division of the navy during the second World War. He married Dorothy Seick from Hastings, who had been a teacher in the Silver City Schools. They have two little girls, Nancy and Kathy.

When Marie finished high school she secured a position in the bank and latter married Harold Holder, a commercial teacher in the Clarinda, Iowa schools. They have their own home there and like their work.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright purchased a lovely home near Lake Manawa where John passed away in Sept. 1952. Dora maintains the home and Charles and his family have their home near by.

By Rew Burgoin

TAYLOR

JOHN J. born 7-5-1833 at Illinois he came to Iowa in 1861 and Silver City 1880. He was a farmer Northeast of Silver City for many years. He operated a general store, was director of Silver City State Bank and National Bank at Tabor. He was a member of Masonic Lodge and Methodist Church. He married 9-17-1863 Martha L. Bratton. They had 4 children: Mary and Florence died young, John Band, Mattie E. They moved to Tabor in later life to be near their children. He died 7-21-1931 and she died 5-18-1936 both are buried Silver City.

MATTIE, lived in Silver City and was pianist for Methodist Church before her marriage to Mauk. They lived at Tabor and both died a few years ago. There were no children.

JOHN B., born 12-2-1868 at Silver City. He was a member of Spelbrings band, moved to Tabor where he died 4-29-1953. He married Minnie Schultz and had 2 children: Jack and Earl. Mrs. Taylor still lives at Tabor. EARL B., born 12-24-1914 at Tabor, educated at Tabor, was a commissioned officer in World War II. He married 10-3-1941 Elsie G. Weeks. They have 1 son, Kenneth, born 8-21-1948. They moved to old Taylor homestead in 1950. He is a trustee of Ingraham Twp., a director of Farm Bureau and a supporting and active member of the Methodist Church.

ADAMS

HARRY J. ADAMS born 6-18-1904 at Woodbine, Iowa. He married 6-2-1928 Maybelle Hagge. He is a salesman, former business man in Silver City, member of School Board and Masonic Lodge. They have 3 children: RUTH, graduated from S.C.H.S. and Peru College, taught for several years and married Harold Zankers; JOAN, was graduated from S.C.H.S. and Peru College, taught several years and married LeRoy Jones. They live in San Diego and have one daughter; and DAVID is still in school and living with his parents.

ICE-POND

SPELBRING

GEORGE ALBERT was b. in Ind. and was educated in his native state. As he was very much interested in music he decided to make that his life work. It was his musical career that brought him to Iowa and Nebr. as he taught in several College in these states. It was while he was teaching Music at the University of Nebr. that he met Mrs. Spelbring who was a music student there. She was Sarah Cordelia Greenwood dau. of Charles W. and Apphia (Trask) Greenwood. They were married 8-31-1893 at her father's home in Silver City where he began his long term of 37 years as manager of the Greenwood Lumber Co.

Mr. Spelbring kept up his interest in music by organizing bands and orchestras here. And thus for many years Silver City and neighboring towns and communities were

treated to the very fine music of the Spelbring Concert Band and Spelbring Orchestra. The band and orchestra grew to be a tradition in Silver City and Mills Co. and no celebration or community event was complete without their concerts.

Mr. Spelbring was enterprising and versatile in other business also. He owned and operated the Royal Theater for many years. He built an Ice Pond and Ice Plant at the east edge of town which served Silver City and community for many years. He also built a filling station near the lumber yard. It was in use for several years being leased by other operators. After the Greenwood Lumber Yard was sold, Mr. Spelbring went to Imogene where he managed the Lumber Yard for the same company. He is now living at the Good Samaritan Rest Home at Tablor. He is a Mason and was honored by the Silver City Lodge in 1953 as a 50 yr. member. He is also a member of the Methodist Church. Mrs. Spelbring d. 3-22-1941 after a lingering illness. They had 5 ch: PAUL graduated from Silver City High School, Knox College and Rush Medical College and is now a physician in Chicago, Ill. HELEN married to Mr. VanZante and lives in Silver City. She is a nurse. EVELINE is the widow of Mr. VanZante and lives in Silver City. EVELINE is a music graduate, taught for several years and is now Mrs. J. L. VanZante. EVA graduated from Silver City High School and received higher education, and taught for several years and is now the wife of Dr. James VanZante. They have several children: EVA, graduated from Silver City High School, is now Mrs. C. L. Day of New York City and has children.



PUTTING UP ICE



MADDOCKS HOMESTEAD

HARRY MADDOCKS was born 11-18-1858 at Marston, England. He came to United States when he was twenty-one and located near Bloomington, Illinois. He married 1-8-1890 Kate Tyson of McLeon, Illinois. The following spring they moved to Iowa and settled in Keg Creek Township, in Pott. Co. In 1900 they moved into Silver City for a year. The next year they moved to the farm 3 1/4 miles southwest of Silver City which is known as the Maddocks homestead and where Earl now lives. Farming was his life occupation. He was a Past Master of Silver Grange and also a member of the I.O.O.F. and Rebekah Lodges of Silver City. He helped to organize the Farmers State Bank in 1909 and served continuously on the board of directors of that bank and was a member of the board of the present Silver City State Bank at the time of his death 2-20-1946.

Mrs. Maddocks has been an active member of the W.S.C.S., the Rebekahs, and was the first president of the American Legion Auxiliary. Mr. and Mrs. Maddocks were both members of the Silver City Methodist Church.

There are five children: WILL born 3-1-1891, EARL born 2-19-1893, RAY born 9-21-1896, CLARENCE born 3-17-1899 and MILDRED born 10-12-1900. They attended rural school in Pott. and Mills County. Clarence and Ray graduated from Silver City High School and Mildred from Tabor Academy. There are twelve grandchildren and fifteen great grandchildren. WILL married 3-12-1919, Eva Hunt of Malvern. He started his farming career on the home place and later moved to a farm in the East Liberty Community. There are 4 children: FERN a graduate of the Jennie Edmundson Hospital School of Nursing, married Frank Willis and lives at Syracuse, Nebraska. They have 2 children: RALPH, a graduate of Doane College, Crete, Nebraska. He married Eleanor Hoffman and is a Representative Salesman of the International Harvester at Norfolk, Nebraska; EDNA, a graduate of Doane, is now Mrs. John Wolph of Avoca, Nebraska and has 2 children: WAYNE, a graduate of University of Iowa, married Donna Dick and is teaching at Villisca. They have 2 children. EARL married 6-22-1921 Myrtle Melton of McClelland. He has farmed the home place his entire life. There are 3 children: EARL JR., a graduate of Iowa State College, works for the Production Credit at Winterset, Iowa. He married Betty Olson and they have 3 children; DEANE is engaged in farming with his father; IRENE, a 2 years graduate of Iowa State Teachers College, taught for several years in the rural schools of Ingraham Twp. is now ass't. head Bookkeeper at the Council Bluffs Savings Bank. RAY T., attended Tabor College, works at Knox College, Galesburg, Illinois. He made the U.S. Army his career. (See his army record elsewhere). He married 8-23-1924, Helen Preston. They have 2 children: PRESTON, a graduate of West Point, is a jet pilot and lives at Newburg, N.Y. He married Nancy Crandall and has 1 child: MIMI, is attending Stanford University in California. Since his retirement as a Major-General, they are living at Aptos, California. CLARENCE, attended Tabor College. After serving in the army during World War 1, he worked in the Farmers State Bank, at Silver City. He married Sept. 1922,

Helen Unger. They now live in Mason City where he works as Loan Representative for the Prudential Life Insurance Co. They have 3 children: Jean, who is Mrs. Don Morrison of Creston and has 3 children; Lee, a graduate of Iowa State College, Bob, is a sophomore at Drake University, Des Moines. Mildred, attended Teachers College at Peru, Nebraska and taught in the rural schools of Mills County and Nebraska. She married 6-18-1924, W. J. Schmiermier. They now live on a farm southeast of Glenwood.

The Maddocks home in Silver City was sold in May 1953. Mrs. Maddocks now resides at the Good Samaritan Rest Home in Tabor.

By Irene Maddocks

CARLSON

GEORGE CARLSON came to Silver City from Oakland, Nebraska and became the Chevrolet Dealer. He continued in this business as well as owning and operating the Carlson Garage until 1952 when he sold to Willard Jones. He married Gladys Burgoin, daughter of Wm. and Mae (Morse) Burgoin. They were the parents of 3 children, one dying in infancy at about the time time as Gladys. The other 2 children, Marion and Kenneth were small at the time of their mother's death. He married again and Mrs. Carlson has been a wonderful mother to these children. Since their marriage she has become interested in antiques and has several very beautiful and interesting collections. Mr. Carlson has been a director of the Silver City State Bank for several years and has been active in all community life having served on the City Council, school board and volunteer Fire Dept. for many years. He is now an insurance representative. Their daughter, Marion, graduated from S. C. H. S. and attended Simpson College. In 1945 she married J. T. Fitzwater of Randolph. They are now living in Shenandoah where he is employed at the Farmers Cooperative. They have 3 children: James, Janet and Philip. Kenneth graduated from S. C. H. S., attended Van Sant Business College in Omaha and was a partner in the garage and Chevrolet business with his father from 1948 to 1952. He is now cashier of the Silver City State Bank. He married 1947, Shirley Heckman of Glenwood. They have one daughter Paula.

DECENDENTS OF JOHN REW

JOHN REW, brother of George T. Rew, came to Silver City a little later than did his brother. They were together in their farming operations for a number of years. John Rew made several trips to England and when returning was usually accompanied by one or more English boys who wanted to come to the U. S. John never made a home in this country, and the brothers eventually divided their farm properties and he returned to England. There he married Florence Rowe and they raised a family of one daughter and two sons. The daughter, Edith married Jack Paul and they have a family of five boys and girls. Mr. Rew made his home with the daughter after his wife passed away at a rather early age. The older son, William J. came to Silver City to the home of this Uncle when a young man and eventually took over operation of his father's property. He served with the U. S. Forces in World War II. He spent several yrs. in Chicago at the end of the war and there met and married Violet Margaret Hudson, who had also come from England. Later, they settled on the farm in Mills County where their two children, Cyril John and Lois were born. Cyril graduated from Henderson High School and served in the Navy during the 2nd World War. He is now married and living on his farm at Pollock, Missouri, and has a son, Rickie. Lois also graduated from Henderson High School and has since been employed with the Mutual Insurance Co. at Omaha. John Rew's youngest son, Cecil, came to America to finish his education in foreign languages at the University of Chicago. He is now Prof. of foreign languages in the State University of Ohio at Bowling Green. He is married and has a daughter. John Rew passed away at the home of his daughter in England in 1923 and William J. passed away at Silver City in 1949. Mrs. Rew makes her home with Mrs. Marjorie Raynor in Des Moines.

By Rew Burgoin

PIATT

GEORGE A. born 2-7-1864 at Shellyville, Indiana. He lived in Kansas and several towns in Mills County, before he came to Silver City in 1901. He was a barber, a farmer, Mayor, member of I. O. O. F. and Rebekah Lodges and was also the director of Piatt's Orchestra. He married 2-1865 Louise Pickenpaugh. They had 4 children: Clyde, Albert, Estelle, Hudson and Georgia. CLYDE born 6-19-1886. He worked with his father in Silver City for several years. He traveled with musical groups on the Chautauqua Circuits, edited a newspaper and was a merchant and band director in Nebraska, returned to Silver City 1933 married 2-27-1937 Mrs. Pearl Pike. He operates Silver City's Barber Shop. ALBERT ESTELLE worked with his father, later had a barber shop in Malvern where he died a few years ago. He was married and had several children. HUDSON worked with his father is married and living in California. GEORGIA married Harry Pace who died a few years ago. She has several children and is living in California.

HARGITT

FRANKLIN PIERCE born 11-5-1951 at Rushville, Indiana. He came to Mills County in 1871 and located in Silver City as an early and pioneer carpenter and Contractor. He married 3-9-1878 Nellie Herrick. They had 5 children: Charles W., Addie E., Josie, Ralph, and Stella Ernee died young. Mrs. Hargitt met with a painful and crippling accident in 1911 when she fell from a cherry tree. She died several years after. Mr. Hargitt died 11-6-1923. He was a member of I. O. O. F. and was a well liked and respected man. CHARLES W. went to Portland, Orgeon where he has resided for years. He is married and had children. ADDIE, graduated from Silver City High School. She is now Mrs. Tisdale and lives in Calif. JOSIE, married Buckingham, had one daughter: Neva and died a few years ago. RALPH has been an employee of the Burlington R. R. lives at Lincoln has a son who is a pharmacist and wons and operates a Drug Store in Lincoln.

HEIDE

JACOB, was born 7-5-1870 at Fulton, Iowa. He came to Silver City as a Missionary of the Mormon Church, he married 7-4-1894 Olive Huffaker a member of a pioneer Mormon family. He was a contractor and carpenter here for many years. He later moved to Oakland and Council Bluffs, finally moving to Chicago in 1926. He built or superintended the building of many of the fine homes in and near Silver City. He died 9-5-1933 at Elgin, Illinois. They had 6 children: Irene, Erna, Verva, Miles, Marguerita and Jack. IRENE graduated from S. C. H. S. and Drake University. She taught for a number of years and is now Mrs. John Noffsinger of Chula Vista, Calif., ERNA graduated from Oakland High School. She married Don Tannehill and lives at Chicago and has 2 children: Lorraine Rose and Dean Donald. VERVA graduated from Oakland High School and was also a graduate, registered nurse. She married Thomas Kenney and had 5 children: Thomas P., Keith B., Rosemary, Denis Lemy and Margaret Mary. She died in California a few years ago. MILES married Florence Howser and lives in Chicago. MARGUERITA married Walter A. Stabl, has a son Ronald Walter and lives in Chicago. JACK CARLISLE married Frances Conger has a daughter Faith Ellen and lives in Chicago.

KONKEL

FRITZ, born 12-6-1844 at Germany. He married 1875 Gertrude Stacker in Germany. They came to Silver City 1883 where he had a harness shop and later a shoe repair shop. They were members of the German Lutheran Church and respected by all. They had no children. She died 3-14-1928 and he died 12-31-1928.

PRIEN

DETLEF BRIEN, born 5-27-1910 Mineola, married 2-22-1940 Irene Kruse, they have 1 son, Richard; he owns and operates the tavern.

SCHOENING

JOHN FRED born 2-17-1863 in Mills County, Iowa. He is the son of Fred and Johanna Schoening. He was a successful farmer east of Silver City for a number of years. He married 1888 Caroline Louise Roenfeldt. They were members of Lutheran Church. He died 12-20-1940 and buried in Mineola. They had 7 children: 2 died young; EDWARD married Bertha Mass. They farmed for several years, now live in Silver City where they will become custodians of the Public School in July. They have 2 children: Byron married Marie Hafer and has 2 children. BYRON married Marie Hafer and has 2 children: Linda and James and live in Silver City; and CAROL is Mrs. Raymond Nielson of Council Bluffs and has 2 children: Joan and Edward. ALTA living at home with her mother in Silver City; JAMES farming near Oakland and is married; CLYDE farming near Silver City married and has 2 children: Robert in armed services and Bruce. GEORGE FRED born 6-13-1891. He married 6-27-1920 Eula Sell. He farmed east of Silver City and moved to Colorado where he died 2-28-1940 at Canon City, Colorado. They had 2 children: Kenneth and Myrna.

SCHROEDER

CARL HENRY SCHROEDER born 3-10-1865 in Holstein, Germany. He came to America and settled in Mills County. He married 3-4-1897 Christina Roenfeldt. Both were members of the Lutheran Church, in Mineola. He was a successful farmer near Mineola for many years, retired and moved into Mineola in 1944. Eight years later he and his wife came to Silver City to live in the home of their daughter, Mrs. Ferdinand Bichel. They have 7 children: Carl, Ella, Olga, Herman, Harry, Erma, Hilda. CARL married Vera Schoening, lives at Macedonia has 2 daughters: Marilyn and Rogene; ELLA married Wm. Hartman, lives near Mineola, has 2 children Luetta and Clarence; OLGA married Otto Deitchler, lives at Mineola has 1 son, Virgil; HERMAN married Vera Bendt lives in Silver City and has 2 daughters: Janet and Judith; HARRY married Geneva Haney, lives at Caldwell, Idaho, has one son Steven; ERMA married Waldo McMinimee, lives at Carroll, Iowa, and has a son Gary; HILDA married Ferdinand Bichel, lives in Silver City and has 5 children: Joann, Charles, Larry, James, Richard. Joann, graduated from Treynor High School, and is employed in Omaha; Charles, also graduate of Treynor is attending Wartburg College, Waverly, Iowa.

DECKER

FRANK was b. 1869 in Wills Co., Ill. He went to Nebraska in early life and he was m. there 2-7-1890. The Deckers have been residents of this community for many years. He owned and operated the dray line and later farmed for many years east of town. A few years ago they moved to their own farm near Glenwood. They had 8 ch: Earnest Arch, Harold, Gail, Guy, Ethel, Elsie and Edna. EARNIE m. Blanche Soliday and lives in Emerson, they have several ch; ARCH m. Viva Hunt, lives in Silver City and had 7 ch; 1 d. young, CHARLES, killed in World War II, left 2 ch; Delbert and Charlotte; MILDRED m. Milton Fitzpatrick and lives in Little Sioux and has ch; VIRGIL m. Alene McCoy lives in Silver City and has a dau. Trudy; JEAN is m. has a baby son and is living at home while her husband is serving in the army in Japan; LOIS m. Mark Severance, has a small son, Danny and lives in Silver City; FRANK is living at home and is still in school; ETHEL m. Gilbert Wilhelm and has 2 sons, Russell and Clifford both are m. ELSIE m. Rudolph Blebe and lives in Council Bluffs, she has several ch; EDNA m. Harvey Bolte, lives south of town and has a dau. Waunita, GUY was in World War I, lives at home.

WALTRIP

Mr. and Mrs. GOERGE WALTRIP were born and raised in the same community and attended the same rural school near Albany Mo. They were m. there 11-26-1891. They farmed in Mo. for several years-their 2 ch; Edgar and Ethel were born there. In 1905 they came to Silver City where they owned and operated a restaurant until 1912, when they moved to Council Bluffs. In 1918 they came to a farm north of Silver City and they farmed until 4 years ago when they moved into town. EDGAR is married and lives in Council Bluffs, has 2 dau; Wanda and Norma Jean, both are m. His family now lives in Arkansas where they own a Motel. ETHEL m. Robert Harrington, lived in Council Bluffs where she d. last fall. They had 2 dau. Dorothy and Phyllis, both are m. and living in Council Bluffs.

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MRS. BESSIE SMITH and MRS. CUMA PETERSON
 BESSIE SMITH (Mrs. F.E.) opened a Grocery Store in Silver City 1939 - selling to Harry Adams 1944. F.E. Smith and son Forest Jr. owned and operated a Feed Seed here 1942-43. F.E. Smith opened a Grocery Store here 1947 built a locker plant the same year and sold both store and locker plant to Ord Brothers 1948. He was b. 1898 and d. 1950. Their dau. Betty is Mrs. Donald Ord. They also have 3 sons: Charles lives in Odell, Nebr. Richard lives in Council Bluffs, Iowa and Forest Jr. lives in San Diego, Calif.



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FRANK CLAY, EMPLOYEE

McELREE-LACOCK-MARSHALL

The pioneer of this family was SAMUEL born 5-30-1823 at Washington County Pennsylvania. He married 1847 Charlotte VanKirk. They came to Ingraham townships and privations of frontier life. He died 7-5-1902 at the home of his daughter Mrs. George Lacock in Silver City. His granddaughter, Gertrude Lacock was the 1st telephone operator in Silver City and is now living in Denver, Colorado. Mr. and Mrs. McElree had 5 children: John died young, Alice married George Lacock, Albert J., Anna married Joseph L. McNay, and James. ALBERT J., 7-28-1854 at Washington County, Pennsylvania. He came to Ingraham Township in 1880 where he was a successful farmer near Silver City until his death 4-11-1934. He married 12-31-1879 in Pennsylvania Margaret Moninger. She died 12-7-1933. They were members of the Baptist Church and had 1 daughter: ETHELIND who married Albert Marshall, lived southeast of Silver City for a number of years, later lived in Silver City and still later in her parents home where she cared for them in their last years. She has 2 sons: Albert and George, and she is still living on the home place which is now in the possession of her son George. ALBERT, married Vera Mills and had 3 children: 1 died young, Beverly and Jack. Beverly married Harry Tasto Jr. and lives on a farm North of Silver City and has two children. Jack, graduated from Thomas Jefferson High School at Council Bluffs where he was an outstanding athlete. He is now married and is serving in Armed Forces in Korea. Albert is married the 2nd time and living in Tennessee. GEORGE married Anita Bendt, has farmed near Silver City for a number of years and is considered an enterprising and prosperous farmer. They have 5 children: George Jr., Edward died young, Edward, Terry, Margaret. JAMES, farmed Northeast of Silver City for many years. He married Fannie May. They had no children and both died a few years ago.

MABBITT

Mr. and Mrs. Mabbitt were married at Hastings, Iowa and then lived in Missouri for several years where Mrs. Mabbitt taught school. Mrs. Mabbitt and a sister, Mrs. Otte at Sidney, Iowa had come from Prussia as girls to America where their name was changed to Cress.

Mr. and Mrs. Mabbitt came to the Richard Bada farm south of town for two years and then to the farm of James Burgoin in 1913. William was a most energetic man and a wonderful hand at feeding cattle. One could set his clock by him, he was that regular. Mrs. Mabbitt's garden could turn out most anything in the way of vegetables and small fruits. She was a great hand to raise a lot of ducks and chickens.

They raised a large family, five sons and four daughters, namely: Everett, Earl, Brice, Leroy, Opal, Edith, Doris, Lucille and Geneva. Everett is married and lives on an acreage at Council Bluffs and Brice lives with him. Edith and Lucille also live in Council Bluffs and Geneva lives in Omaha. Doris died of influenza during the epidemic in 1918. Earl lives on the Burgoin farm, is married and has two sons, Bernard and Donald, and one daughter Octavia who is living at Pekin, Illinois. Bernard served with the forces in Germany in World War II and received a Purple Heart after being wounded. He is now married lives in Hastings, Iowa and is employed in the Carbon Plant at Red Oak. Donald joined the service for two years, is now married and has his own home in Silver City where he works for A. F. Child's Transfer. Mrs. Wm. Mabbitt passed away very suddenly in 1930 and Mr. Mabbitt at the advanced age of 80 years in 1948.

By Rew Burgoin

CHARLES WALDO BAYS

Mr. Bays was born 3-21-1870 in Tarkio, Missouri. His father was Rev. Davis H. Bays so he lived with his father's family in several western Iowa towns. They finally settled on a farm near Persia, Iowa where he grew up, later teaching school in Persia and editing the Persia Glode, Woodbine Twiner and Silver City Times for about 14 years. He was a member of the Christian Church, and later united with the Baptist Church. He was also a member of I. O. O. F. and Modern Woodman Lodges. He married 3-21-1891 Estella W. Thompson. They had 4 daughters. Mrs. Effie Fouts, Ethel Bayless, Mrs. Leona Gater, and Mrs. Zelma Locker. He died 10-30-1932 and Mrs. Bays died 5-28-1931. His daughter Leona, Mrs. Roy Gates edited the Silver City Times for several years, she had 2 children, Fern and David.

MILLER

JOHN MARION (Uncle Marion) born 4-28-1843 Decatur Co. Indiana. He came to Mills Co., 1871. He married 12-31-1868 Sarah C. Hunt. They had 3 children: Julia, who died 5-14-1901, Ira and Avery. Mr. Miller was a kindly, trusted man a G.A.R. and a familiar figure in Silver City, getting around easily in his wheel chair. He lost his left leg because of a diabetic condition, and just 2 weeks before his death his right leg was amputated in an effort to save his life. He died 3-6-1913. His son Avery had a daughter.

CUSTER

SELA, born 10-13-1854, Herkimer County New York, son of Alonzo and Margaret Custer, came with his parents to Iowa City, Iowa; later to Mills County 1877 where he was a successful farmer for many years. He married 1-19-1880 Maria Christo. They had 4 children: Guy, Reno Lenna and Liva. Mrs. Custer died 9-20-1921 and he died 8-14-1931.

GUY, born 11-25-1880 Silver City, has lived in this community all of his life. He was a successful farmer for many years, and is now retired and living in Silver City. He has been identified with the Masonic, Eastern Star, I.O.O.F., and Rebekah Lodges for many years, and served as township trustee many years. He married, 1-30-1907 Emma Jane Davis. They have 1 daughter, Bonnie. Mrs. Custer has been active in church, lodge and community groups since she has lived in the community. BONNIE, graduated from S.C.H.S. and the Jennie Edmundson Hospital School of Nursing. She was surgical nurse in operating room and later for Dr. Limbert for several years, and is now Mrs. Clarence Bolte, lives on a farm north of Silver City and has 2 children: Anne Louise and Marshall Frederick. RENO, born 7-17-1894 Silver City, farmed the home place for a number of years. He married 9-27-1913 Bessie Jones. He was a good neighbor and a kind friend. He died 7-17-1942. They had 2 daughters: Velma and Wilma.

VELMA married Clyde Dickersbach, had 1 daughter and died 1-3-1951. WILMA, taught school for several years and is now Mrs. Floyd Smith, Malvern, Iowa.

LENNA married Wm. Kisby and lives in Pipestone, Minnesota and has a son, Clayton who lives in St. Paul and is a mail man.

LIVA married Owen Adams, lived on a farm east of Silver City for a number of years, she had 2 children: Harold and Florence. HAROLD lives near Henderson and has 4 children.

FLORENCE lives in Illinois and has 4 boys. Liva died 11-11-1927.

FINCHEM

THOMAS JAMES, born 4-15-1839 at Culpepper County Virginia. He went to Illinois at the age of 12 where he grew to manhood. After the Civil War he came to Center Township, Mills County where he farmed many years; later moved to Silver City where he was caretaker of the Cemetery and School Janitor many years. He married 12-25-1866 Helen Galliher. She died 7-17-1885. They had 6 children: Charles, Wilbur, Samuel, Edna, Alta, and James Roy. He married 10-7-1925. He was an early member of the Silver Grange and was a member of the Masonic Lodge for more than 50 years.

CHARLES lives at Waukee, Iowa; WILBUR at Omaha; EDNA is Mrs. Johnson of Wimpfred Montana; and ALTA is Mrs. Duprey of Mt. Clemens Michigan; James Roy died 1910, and SAMUEL was a merchant in Silver City for several years also served as Mayor, was later a farmer, member of I.O.O.F. was married and had several children and died 1947.



MR. and MRS. M. J. HUMSTON AND THEIR RESIDENCE

HUMSTON

HENRY J. HUMSTON was born 12-13-1834 at Bedford, Indiana. After his service in the Civil War, he came to Glenwood, Iowa to the home of a sister. He married 12-11-1870 Phoebe Ann Creamer, and about the same time moved to the farm 4 miles east of Silver City, where he lived until he retired in 1902. Then he went to Oakland to live with his daughter, Annie Stevens, where he passed away 11-27-1915 and was laid to rest in the Malvern Cemetery. They had 2 other children: Nellie who died many years ago and Marshall J.

MARSHALL J. was born 5-6-1875 at the home farm east of Silver City, where he grew to manhood. He was united in marriage to Allie Coiner Sept. 27-1905, and they started their life together on the farm where he was born. After eighteen years they moved to Silver City where they made their home until his death June 4-1951. Mrs. Humston still lives in their lovely home in Silver City. He was a member of the City Council for a number of years and a supporter of the Methodist Church. He was active in Masonic and Eastern Star Lodge Circles.

By Mrs. M. J. Humston

STONE-KNIGHT-HENDERSON

SPENCER and ELIZABETH (Hargis) STONE were natives of Virginia, and migrated to Ky. When their son, William Sangford was 6 years old, they moved to Illinois. In 1853, they came to Mills County where they entered one or more sections of land on Silver Creek from the government, or bought it from settlers. In 1856 Mr. Stone returned to Illinois to get 3 children of William Stone after their mother died, in Athens, Illinois in 1856. She was Mary Ellen McLemore daughter of Rev. Young and Nancy (Plumey) McElmore natives of North Carolina. Wm. Sangford Stone born 3-30-1822 in Kentucky, followed his family here as soon as he could. He farmed with his father, and bought a few acres at a time after the Civil War, he moved to the West side of Silver Creek where he finally had a farm of 500 acres. In 1857 he married Sophia Patrick a native of Maryland, and a daughter of a pioneer of Mills County. She was a sister of George Patrick, who owned and operated the old grist mill on Silver Creek, known as Patrick's Mill. He died 8-1899, at the age of 77, leaving 2 sons, Elmer and Grant; and 4 daughters two of whom were Mrs. Charley Knight, and Mrs. Milton Knight.

Her daughter Elma, married Everett Henderson. They both grew up near Silver City, and lived on farms near Silver City, and in town, until they moved to Malvern several years ago. Four of their children live near Malvern-Wayne married Louis Leu; Opal married Walter Stille; Kenneth married Leona Stille; and Alva married Ella Pontow. Roy and Edna attended Silver City High School. Edna married Fay Butterfield, lives near Henderson, and has 2 daughters. Roy married Georgia McGill and farmed near Silver City several years, before buying a farm near Macedonia, where he is a successful farmer and highly respected citizen. They have 4 sons: Gerald, being in the navy at the present time.

By Margaret Lawson



JOSEPH B. McNAY HOME BUILT IN 1875

McNAY

JOSEPH B. McNAY was born April 11, 1825 in Greene County, Pennsylvania. After finishing law school in 1853 he came to Washington, Iowa and practiced. In 1855 he came to Council Bluffs, Iowa, where he entered a section of land (north of what is now Silver City.) The next year Mr. McNay returned to Pennsylvania, where he married Miss Mary Smith, December 11, 1856. They landed at Burlington, Iowa, on Christmas Day having crossed the river on ice. Their bridal trip to Council Bluffs was overland from Mt. Pleasant. They would drive for a day at a time and not see a house or any habitation. In 1876 they moved to the farm and continued their residence. In 1906 they celebrated their Golden Wedding with their three sons, John, Preston and Charles. JOHN B. McNAY was born August 3, 1860 in Council Bluffs, Iowa. He received his education in the Bluffs school. In 1885 he purchased his farm and carried on general agricultural pursuits and specialized in throughbred Poland China hogs. On February 25, 1895 he was married to Miss Tishie McClellan of Francisco, Indiana. They had four children, Glenn, Vera, Ona and Grace. Mr. McNay died July 28, 1918 and five months later his son Glenn died at Camp Dix, New Jersey. In 1916 Glenn completed an agricultural course at Ames. Ona graduated from high school and Iowa State Teachers College at Cedar Falls, Iowa and is teaching. Grace graduated from high school and is now employed as a postal clerk at Silver City. PRESTON died January 22, 1935. CHARLES B. McNAY married Miss Nina Barr of Council Bluffs, Iowa and spent most of their life here and later moved to Hemingford, Nebr. Charles died February 17, 1945 and Nina still lives in Hemingford. All of the McNay's are members of the Methodist Church.

SCHULTZ

WILLIAM T. SCHULTZ was born in Segeberg, Holstein, Germany, April 1, 1846 and died November 11, 1924. In 1866 Mr. Schultz came to America, making the trip in a sail ship, taking eight weeks to reach the American Coast. He continued his trip westward and located in western Iowa, where he continued his trade of brick layer and plaster. Later he came to Silver City and spent several years farming. In the year of 1872 he was married to Miss Doris Mass. The children were: FERDINAND, married Miss Maggie Hesch-children: Clarence, Leonard, Harold, Hazel. THERESA, married Arthur Sarr-children: Harvey, Roy and Leona. MINNIE, married John Taylor-Children: Jack and Earl. LENA, married Frank Hettinger-children: Doris. ADOLPH, married Miss Ida Schwarts of Shenandoah, Iowa. He farmed north of Silver City and specialized in Aberdeen Angus cattle. Mr. and Mrs. Schultz were active in Farm Bureau work for many years. They now reside in Malvern, Iowa, and celebrated their Golden Wedding in December 1953. Their four children are: Wilma, a graduate from Iowa State College at Ames, Iowa, majoring in Home Economics. Donald, married Eleanor Galt; they have two children Duane and Randall. ARLINE, a graduate from Simpson College at Indianola, Iowa, was active in 4-H work. ELDON, married Velma Miller; they have one daughter, Beverly.

JONES, SOLIDAY, BATTERN, RAY, ORD

ALLEN P. b. 8-27-1836 Green Ohio. He m. 11-6-1850 Frances Caroline Smith at Valparaiso, Ind. After his service in the Civil War they lived in Ind. until 10-28-1902 and she d. 3-14-1918. They had 7 ch: Adeline, Olonso, Cassins, Jane, Inda, William and Charles. ALONSO AND CASSINS remained in Ind. and their families are there today. JANE m. Heck and lived in Council Bluffs. CHARES, lived in Council Bluffs. INDA m. W. Walker and had 6 childred they are living in Malvern.

WILLIAM b. 5-20-1872. Porter Co., Ind. came to Mills Co. with his parents, m. 12-29-1894. Martha Hammer and farmed for many years, later moved into Silver City where he d. 11-2-1926. They had 6 ch: LOTTIE m. Thurman Nelson and lives Council Bluffs, CHARLES, m. Minnie Nelson and lives in Malvern. They have 2 ch; Clifford m. and lives in Glenwood. Cleo, m. R. Hall and lives in Malvern. ADAH m. E.M. Hiatt and lives in Council Bluffs, has 4 ch: ALVA m. Letha Bachman, work on the r. r. section for several years and from 1941 to death in July 1946 was school custodian, was killed in an automobile accident near Altantic. Ia. They had 4 ch; WILLARD to be found in Silver City business men. Jean, m. Everett Conner and lives in Council Bluffs and has 2 ch; Sonia and Roger. LEROY serving in U.S. Navy m. Joan Adams and has 1 dau; and live in San Diego Calif. GERALD serving in U.S. Army.

ELLSWORTH m. Sadie Deitchler, they have 4 ch; Eleanor m. Keith McClure, lives in Council Bluffs and has 1 son. Carole m. Frank Lane lives in Council Bluffs - 1 dau. Ellsworth Jr. m. and is in the services. Nadine lives in Council Bluffs and is m. She d. and he later m. Ruby Rommel Mott. They live in Mineola where he is an automobile salesman.

ALLEN P. b. 6-29-1910 Silver City, m. Wilma Deitchler. He has been R.R. Section foreman for a number of years and is prominent in community activities, being a member of School Board, Masonic, Odd Fellows and Encampment Lodges. Mrs. Jones is prominent in lodges and social groups being at present serving her 3rd term as President of the American Legion Auxiliary. She, together with Mrs. R.A. Flanagan, conceived the idea of publishing this History of Silver City and the 75th celebration of the founding of Silver City. They have 3 ch; Alene, Jay and Alyce. ALENE, graduated from Silver City High School is now President of the Alumni Association and is the wife of Harvey Ord. JAY, graduated from Silver City High School and Radio and Television of Omaha was employed in Bloomington Ind. Television factory and now is employed at Mintle Electric Shop Glenwood Iowa as a Electronic Technicians. ALYCE is still in Silver City School.

ADELINE dau. of Allen P. and France (Smith Jones m. 12-25-1873 GEORGE SOLIDAY, b. 10-22-1849 Carlyle Hill, St. Joe. Co., Ind. They came to Mills Co. 1883 and to Silver City 1895 where he owned and operated the City Dray Line for many years. He d. 8-13-1924 and she d. 10-31-1932. They had 4 ch: ALLEN m. Viola Burger, have 1 foster dau. and 1 dau. and lives in Omaha. CASSUIS has lived in Ind. for many yrs. where his family also resides. One son is a minister. BLANCHE graduated from Silver City High School m. Ernest Decker, has lived in or near Emerson for many yrs. They have 5 ch: Alvin m. Naomi Chapman have 2 ch; and live near Malvern. Mae m. K. Hall lives in Emerson, and has 2 ch; Marjorie, m. H. Hampton, lives at Emerson. Lyle, m. have 1 ch: lives at Emerson, Robert, is in the Navy. FRANCES m. 6-10-1891 WILLIAM HENRY BATTEN b. 9-22-1865 and was a farmer near Silver City for many yrs. where he d. 2-6-1911. They had 5 ch: George Thomas d. 11-22-1910. ALBERT m. Gladys Young, lives in Glenwood where he owns and operates Glenwood Feed and Seed Store and is prominent in community life. Have 1 dau. Marlene.

RAY, m. Sylvia Carr. Farms north of Hastings and has 7 ch: Wayne d. young. Marlin lives at Griswold Ia. Glen and Galen both serving in U.S. Navy, Phyllis now Mrs. Pendegraft Carson Ia. Wilma now Mrs. Lewis, Edina Mo, Lois now Mrs. Carlin Stanton, Ia. BESSIE m. WILLIAM RAY a business man in Silver City and Glenwood where he owned and operated a Feed Store and d. there in Nov. 1946. Their son Cecila is now a business man in Glenwood, He m. Helen McMahl and has 2 sons. MARY m. GEORGE ORD, an employee of the Union Pacific R.R. in Council Bluffs. They have 14 ch; GEORGE W. Jr. and ROBERT living at Beatrice Nebr. ROY and MARVIN living in Council Bluffs, ELLEN now Mrs. Dale Harper and have 2 ch; ELLA MAE now Mrs. Cecila Harper and has 2 ch; The Harper's live in Glenwood and are in the Implement business. MARGARET now Mrs. Forest Smith Jr. of San Diego, Calif. MARIE now Mrs. Virgil Wickham, Pike View Colo. ALTA ANN, A beautician of Blackstone Hotel, Omaha. JAMES serving in U.S.A.F. in Alabama. LOIS, a senior in Silver City High School, and serving on the History committee as a stenographer. JERRY, a Freshman in Silver City High School

HARVEY L. b. 9-10-1924, graduate from Silver City High School. Served in World War II, member of I.O.O.F. American Legion and Volunteer Firemen. m. 9-21-1947 Alene Jones. They have 2 ch: Deborah and Denise. He with his brother Donald, own and operates the Ord Brothers Grocery Store. DONALD E. b. 3-22-1920, graduated from Silver City High School, served in World War II, member of American Legion and Volunteer Firemen. m. 6-5-1941, Betty Smith, they have 2 dau. Carolyn and Donnetta. He is a member of the City Council and is joint owner with his brother Harvey of the Ord Brothers Grocery Store.

LEWIS

HENRY C, born 10-9-1843 Burlington, Iowa; he came to Ingraham Twp. 1850. He was a successful farmer in the East Liberty Community where he d. 8-24-1926. He m. 11-24-1870 Amelia Uekert. They had 12 ch: 3 d. young; Ida m. Wm. Warnke and d. before her father; Minnie m. Henry Pullman and d. 1909. Ira and Otis who farmed the home place for many years and d. a few yrs. ago. Alta m. James Pullman and lives in Silver City; Martha m. B.J. Overton; Opal m. Otto Narum, Francis and Josephine both live in Omaha. Mrs. Lewis d. 5-23-1909.

SKINNER

ANDREW b. 8-27-1833 in Montreal Canda, he m. 8-31-1870 Mary Jane Armstrong at Malbourne Canda. They came to Glenwood in 1870 and to the farm south of the present site of Silver City in 1871. He d. 1-21-1915 and she d. 4-1-1925. They had 5 ch: William d. young; Maggie m. Mr. Allbee; John W. successfully operated the farm for many years and d. a few years ago and Mrs. Skinner now lives in Glenwood; Ida lives in Nebraska and George E. died a few years ago.

WILKINS

WILLIAM A. b. 11-8-1873 in Washington Co. Iowa. He is the son of B.F. and Mary J. (Moore) Wilkins. He was educated in the public schools and academies of Washington Co; and at the age 20 went to Nebr. where he was employed by several commission Co. over a period of yrs. He m. 3-30-1898 Birdie Huffaker of Silver City. They lived on a farm 1 1/2 miles north of town for many years, later moving into town. Since his residence here Mr. Wilkins has been active in City affairs, having served several terms as Mayor. Mr. Wilkins mother was a sister of Dr. R.A. Moore, a long time resident and doctor of Silver City. Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins have 4 ch: Vardamin, Albert, Mary and Lila. ALBERT, m. Marvel Pickenpau, lived in Omaha and had several ch: He d. a few years ago. VARDAMIN was born 12-6-1898, m. Lena Bada and has farmed near Silver City for a number of years. They have lived in town for several years but he continues to farm. They have 1 son: Verne Alda who lives in Tabor and has been Mayor of that town.

FARRIS

GEORGE W. b. 1-25-1859 Broadhead Ky. m. 10-25-1882 Rene Jane Johnson. Lived in south-Mo. a number of years, came to Silver City where he farmed many years. They later moved into Silver City where he d. 2-11-1939 and she d. 1944. They had 6 ch: Birdie m. George Jennings had 3 ch: Cuma (Mrs. J.H.) Peterson; Elmer m. has five ch. and lives in Calif, Earl m. has 2 ch. and lives in Calif; Jennie m. James H. Hendrix. Mr. Hendrix farmed for years and is now living in Silver City. He had a son Arthur by a former marriage who has made the U.S. Marines his career having been in 27 years. Mrs. Hendrix had 4 ch; by a former marriage: Mildred, m. and living in Ind., Mabel m. and living in Nebr, Ida (Mrs. Harry Coyne) of Silver City; and Virgil who lived in Omaha where he d. a few yrs. ago. Mr. and Mrs. have 4 ch: 1 d. young; Geraldine now Mrs. Gant living in Mich; Virginia now Mr. Browning, living in Omaha, and has 2 ch; and Basil livings in Ind. and has 3 ch: Lillie m. Emmett Johnson and has 2 ch: Orval and Burgess, both m. and living in Calif., Claudia m. Otis Lierly, lives in Omaha and has 2 ch: Helen and Earl, both m. and living in Omaha, Edward m. Ola Jefferies lives in Emerson and has 2 ch: Charles, serving in the Navy and Clayton serving in the Air Corp.

ROBERTSON

FRED GUY b. 9-24-1889 in Madison, Nebr. He is a son of Aaron and Mary (Osborne) Robertson. His father, Aaron was a brother of Mrs. Tom Plumb and Mrs. Parker Plumb. He lived in Omaha for several years, came to the Annie McNay farm north of Silver City where he farmed very successfully for a number of years, dying there 11-9-1934. He was a member of the Methodist Church and I.O.O.F. Lodge. He m. in Omaha 3-8-1916 Lillie Gilman. She d. 4-1-1952. They had 4 sons: Dennis, Freddie, Julianne and Douglas; WARREN m. Ruth Kelly dau. of Clifford and Mildred (Slaughter) Kelly of Hillsdale. They farm north of Silver City; HARVEY m. Delores Dark, lives on a farm south of Silver City, and has 1 son, Michael; CLAUDE m. Flossie Powles farms near Pacific Junction and has 2 sons; Rodney and Duane.

MILLER

DETLEF b. 5-29-1838 in Satjenderf, Holstein Germany. He came to America in 1858 and later to Mills Co. where he married 11-27-1868 Caroline Rohrberg. He farmed for a number of years and upon retiring moved to Silver City where he died 9-22-1921. He was one of the oldest members of St. John's Lutheran Church at Minela at the time of his death. Mrs. Miller moved to Mineola after his death and d. there 7-7-1931. They had 10 ch: William, Harry, Fred, Ed. Ferdinand, Mrs. Louis Jurgen, Mrs. W.T. Roenfeldt and Carrie married Albert Bada and is now Mrs. Reynolds of Council Bluffs.

RIGGINS

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Riggins came to Silver City in 1932 where he was section foreman for the Wabash until he retired in 1944. He is a Mason, and Mrs. Riggins is active in Church, Club and Lodge work. They have 5 ch: Ronald m. and living in Nebraska; Marie m. and living in N. Mex; Russell m. and living in Moberly Mo; Donald m. Bonnie Stranathan and lives in Columbus Nebr.; Margaret m. Jack Burgoin and lives near Silver City.



WILLIAM BURGOIN

WILLIAM b. 26-1868, Dovenshire, England, came to America and Silver City 1887 to the home of his Uncle George Rew where he stayed until his m. 2-3-1892 to Mae Morse a member of a pioneer family. He was an extensive farmer and stock man, a large landowner, member of Masonic and Eastern Star Lodges and the Church of England. He received his naturalization papers 00-3-1895. He was President of the Farmer's State Bank for many years and identified with all community life. Mr. & Mrs. Burgoin had 7 ch: James Arthur, Gail G., Ward, George, Gladys, Ethel and Frances. He d. 12-21-1952.

James Arthur is found elsewhere.

GAIL G. b. 12-16-1895 Silver City, m. 2-17-1921, Florence Burgoin. He was a successful farmer, member of Masonic Lodge, and City Council and America Legion. They had 1 s. Donald, She d. a few years later and he d. 4-17-1950. DONALD b. 1-30-1922. Silver City, m. Betty Henderson. They have 2 ch: Billy Joe and Gaylr A. He is a successful farmer, served in World War II is a member of Masonic Lodge and America Legion. EDWARD b. 5-2-1897 Silver City, successful farmer and stockman, a member of the Masonic, Eastern Star and Shriner Lodge. He m. 8-1-1917 Lena Willard. They have 2 dau. Betty and Hope. BETTY graduated from Omaha High School and Hastings College, m. Roger Menke and has 2 ch: Betsy Ann and Teddy Ward they live in Cozad, Nebr. HOPE m. Jack Louis, live in Medford, Oregon and has 3 ch; Scott Lee, Roxann and Dusty.

GEORGE b. 4-9-1900 Silver City is a successful farmer and stockman, member of the Masonic Lodge. He m. Eldon Dovenspike and they have 2 ch: Jack and Patty. JACK b. 3-24-1925 served in World War II, is

a successful farmer, member of Masonic Lodge and American Legion. He m. 10-7-1944, Margaret Riggins. They have 3 ch: 1 s. d. young, Rex and Peggy Marie. PATTY graduated from Silver City High School m. William Hunt. He is farming and they have 1 dau. Pamela. GLADYS graduated from Silver City High School received higher education at Grinnell College, m. George Carlson a gargeman. They had 3 ch: Marion, Kenneth and 1 d. young. She d. 1-29-1929. ETHEL graduated from Silver City High School received higher education at Drake University taught in Silver City, Council Bluffs and at the Philippine Islands m. 1931 Douglas Tyson in Manila. They with their small son JIM BILL were Japanese prisoners on the Island during World War II. They are living in Denver, Colo. where Ethel is teaching and Doug is working on a Doctors degree. They had a s. Michael who d. young. FRANCES graduated from Silver City High School and Drake Uni. taught at Silver City High School and Council Bluffs, m. Bemar Lehman lives at Carroll Iowa where Mr. Bemar owns and operates a drug store. They have a dau. Catherine Ann, another child died young.



Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Tyson and Jim Bill, taken in Sanatomas Prison Camp in Manila, Phillipine Islands just after their release.

Picture taken by Junior Clipson, who was stationed on the Islands.





SAM FINCHEM - CUMA PETERSON - FRANK W. ANDERSON - C.W. BAYS

F.W. ANDERSON was b. 3-17-1879, Gothenburg, Sweden and migrated to America as a young man. He came to Silver City as a section foreman for the Wabash R.R. On 11-28-1900 he m. Bertha Hale, dau. of the Station agent, C.P. Hale. They had one dau. Helen, who is m. and now lives in Washington State. Mrs. Anderson d. a few yrs. later. He m. 10-26-1911, Etta VanKirk, a member of a pioneer family. They have 4 ch; Roscoe, m. and living at Los Angeles where he is connected with the Bank of America; Geneva m. and living in Washington state; Lois m. and living in Los Angeles and LeRoy m. and living at Lincoln, Nebr. Mr. Anderson has always been identified with the community life, having served as councilman and Mayor and is now Marshal. He owned and operated a general store for many years and was also in the hardware and implement and garage business at one time.

HARRY W. ANDERSON, another Silver City business man, was b. 9-15-1873 on his fathers farm N.E. of Silver City. Here he grew up and later operated the farm for several years. He m. Lyda Jackson Virtue 8-30-1910. They later moved to town where he engaged in business with his father-in-law, J.C. Jackson. He is a former Mayor and is a member of Masonic and Eastern Star Lodges and is now retired at age of 81. They had one dau. Dorothy, now Mrs. Harry Gilmore of Glenwood. Mr. Anderson's father, John Anderson was b. in Ohio, migrated to Glenwood in 1859 and m. 1861, Emily Dupray. They had 8 ch; 4 s. Hugh, E.V., John E. and Harry W. reached maturity.

POWELL ANDERSON:

The pioneer of this Anderson family was POWELL who came here from eastern Iowa and originally came from Bureau County, Illinois. He married Harriet Huffaker, farmed the Irasel Huffaker homestead for a number of years and died 1905. They were parents of Harry, Anna, Israel and Myrtle. Mrs. Anderson died 1918. HARRY was born 4-20-1871 at Bureau County Illinois. He married 2-3-1897 Martha Jane Wallace. They farmed at Silver City, Popjoy and Emmett Co. Iowa. He was also a merchant and blacksmith. In 1930 they returned to Silver City where he farmed until his death 2-4-1947. She died 2-20-1946. They had 5 children: Edna, Dale, Bernice, Dorothy and Ona Lee.

EDNA born 12-1-1897 married 6-1-1916 Clifford Dundas. They now live at Williamina, Oregon. They have 3 children: Veda, Albert Lester and Raymond Clifford. VEDA, born 5-11-1921 married 7-3-1947, Wm. Robert Joseph and Clifford and lives at Denver, Colorado.

ALBERT LESTER, born 8-11-1917 married 11-9-1946 Violet Brown, lives at Tulsa, Oklahoma.

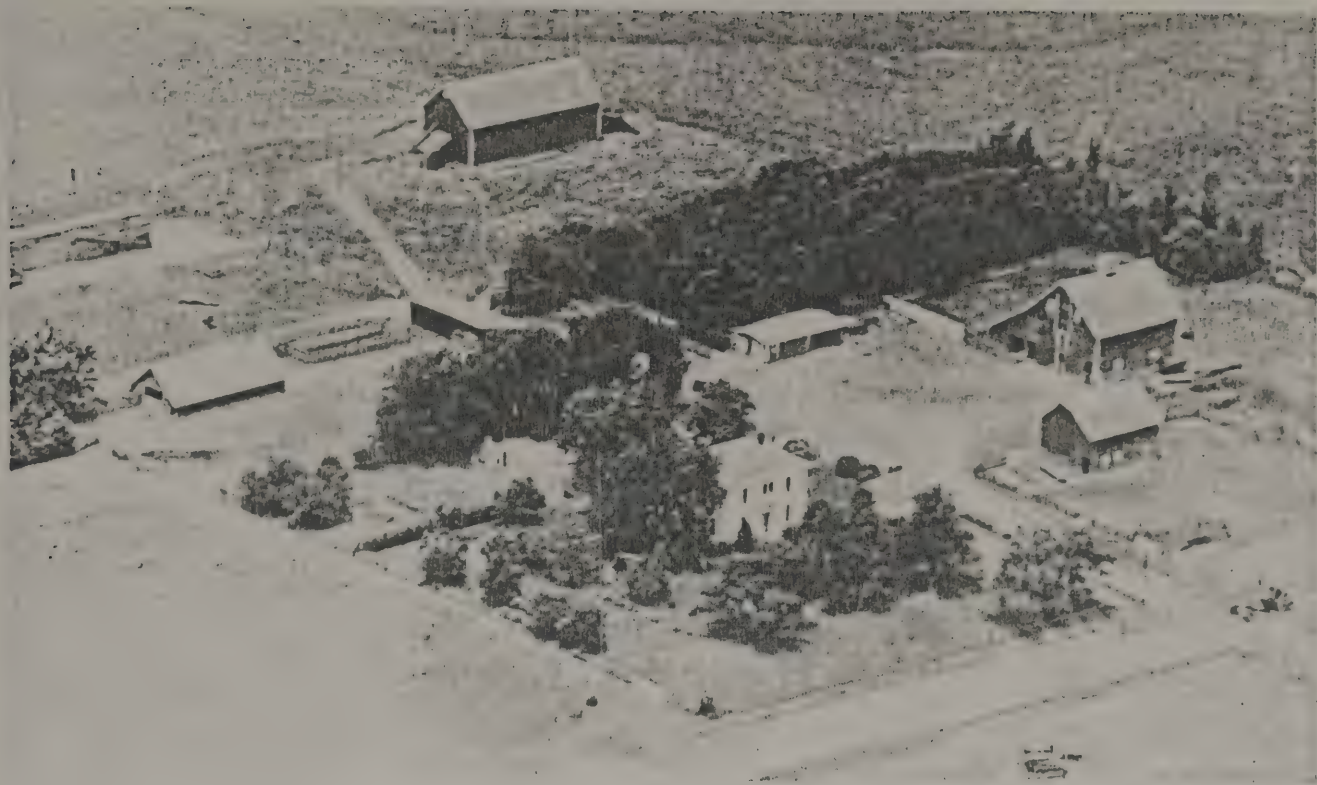
RAYMOND CLIFFORD was born 12-16-24, married 10-7-46 Wanda Lou Shepherd, they lived in Houston, Texas and have 3 children: Rodney Alan, Debra and Darla. BERNICE born 7-6-1902 married Sever Otto Knudson and lives at Sioux Rapids, Iowa. She has an adopted son Rober Sever. She also has an adopted boy in Rome. She is active in Farm Bureau work.

DALE W. born 3-22-1898 at Popjoy, Ia. and lived and farmed with parents, after their death he continued farming. He never married and died 10-15-1953 of a heart attack.

DOROTHY born 1-1-1905 married 6-13-1931 Abraham Handler. He died several years ago. She now lives at Hubbard Woods, Ill. and is a Beautician. ONA LEE born 8-14-1911. She married 5-5-1934 Alfred Detlef Christian Miller. They have 1 son Gary Edward born 10-20-1940. He is a prosperous farmer north of Silver City. ANNA married Ed Catterlen. He was a Wabash R.R. man for many years and later was Chief of Police of Council Bluffs. He is now retired and living at Phoenix, Arizona. They had 4 children: Paul, Myrtle Lee, June and Ed. Jr.

PAUL is married and living at Council Bluffs. MYRTLE LEE is Mrs. Donald Spetman, has 2 children; and lives at Phoenix, Arizona. JUNE is Mrs. Clifford Barber, has 2 children and is living at Kansas City, Mo. EDWARD JR. graduated from University of Iowa School of Dentistry and is practicing at Centerville, Ia., and has 2 children. ISRAEL D. born at Buriau County, Illinois. He came to Silver City with his parents. He married 3-15-1904 Cassie Barnes. They were married in their new home west of Silver City and where their son Euriel lives today, and all of their 7 children: Alzo, Azel, Euriel, Stuart, Powell, Teresa and Inna were born. Mrs. Anderson died during the "Flu Epidemic" in 1918, and Mr. Anderson died 1945 of a heart attack.

ALZO born 1905, graduated from S.C.H.S. attended Tabor College 2 years and married in 1926, Poco Filley. They had 2 children: Eldon and Patty. She died 1929. AZELL born 1906 a graduate of S.C.H.S. attended Tabor College 2 years and graduated from the University of Ia. She married 1927 Earl Stacy of Guthrie Center, Iowa. They had 2 children: Donna Lee and Margie Kay. He died 2-22-1943 at Lisbon Portugal during World War II when his airplane crashed into the sea. She married 10-21-1947 Fred Stromacher Hanna, who is a Colonel in the U.S. Army and lives in West Virginia. EUREL born 1909 graduated from S.C.H.S. He married May 1946; Grace Brooks. They moved to the family homestead in 1947 and in 1950 they adopted 3 children: Dale 10, Eurelene 4, and David Charles a small baby. He is a successful farmer and both he and his wife are identified in Church and the community life. TRESA born 1911 and died 1913. IONA DOROTHY born 4-27-1913 and graduated from S.C.H.S. and married 1937 Nathan T. Gruenau. They live in Council Bluffs, where he owns and operates a filling station. They have 1 son, Steven Powell. U. STUART born 3-1-1916 graduated from S.C.H.S. married 1938 Lucille Barnes. They have 2 children: Stuart Allen and Judy. He served in armed forces in World War II, now lives in Los Angeles where he is employed by the Pacific Bell Telephone Company. POWELL A. born 1-10-1918 and graduated from S.C.H.S. has made the U.S. Army his career, was a commissioned officer in World War II, and is now a Major stationed at Fort Bragg, N.C. He married 6-15-1945 Freda McKinney of West Virginia. MYRTLE married Roy Stranathan. They farmed the family homestead many years. She died there 1928. They had 3 children; Chester, Janet and Bonnie. CHESTER DALE served in the U.S. Navy 12 years was Chief Machinist Mate and was lost at sea 2-18-1942 when the U.S. Peary was sunk. JANET married Harland Hendrix and is now living in Council Bluffs and has 4 children: Shirley Mae, Robert Harland, Richard and Kathryn Anne. BONNIE born 8-26-1913 was graduated from S.C. H.S. She married Donald Edward Riggins. He is an employee of the Union Pacific at Columbus, Nebraska. They have 3 children: Jeanne Marie, Edward Donald, and James Marvin. Their half brother



MAPLE GROVE STOCK FARM GEORGE T. REW-JAMES AND REW BURGAIN

When George T. Rew came to America, he brought with him the possibilities of accomplishment that lie before men of determined and earnest purpose. .

He was born in Devonshire, England on August 13th, 1851, the second son of John and Elizabeth Wilson Rew. His preliminary education was in the village school, and he later spent one year in college. He was reared to the practical work of the farm. At the age of twenty years, he came to America and landed in New York June 11, 1871. He went from there to Burlington, Iowa where he spent two years working by the month as a farm hand. He then came on to Mills County and purchased the farm which came to be known as the Rew Ranch of Maple Grove Stock Farm.

In September of 1874, Mr. Rew was united in marriage to Miss Phoebe Alice Miller, the daughter of Johnson and Elizabeth Miller. This family were pioneers from Indiana. Mr. and Mrs. Rew were parents of nine children but only one of them grew to maturity. She was Elizabeth Maria and was married to James Burgoin on May 2, 1900. In 1895, Mr. Rew purchased the Spring Valley Stock Farm adjoining the town of Silver City. He was very successful in the breeding of purebred Hereford cattle, having established his herd in November, 1891. Shortly after 1900, he turned his efforts toward the production of the Polled strain of Hereford Cattle and at one time maintained the largest herd of Purebred Polled Hereford Cattle in the nation. Mrs. Rew passed away in 1915, and Mr. Rew in 1928.

James Burgoin, son of James and Rebecca Burgoin, was born in England in 1869 and came to America at the age of nineteen. He acquired a farm of 280 acres in Pottawatomie County and at the time of his marriage, settled on Springs Valley Stock Farm. Mrs. Burgoin had attended Excelsior District school and later was graduated with honors from the St. Francis School in Council Bluffs. .

They were the parents of six children one of which passed away in infancy. Mr. Burgoin passed away in March, 1951 at the age of 81, and Mrs. Burgoin, now 77, still enjoys her home, church, and family activities. The children who cherish her presence are Rew, Alice,

Phyllis, Dora, and Marjorie, all of whom were born at Silver City, attended the Public Schools, and graduated from the High School.

REW G., was born February 25, 1901. After High School, he received further agricultural training at Ames for two years. In 1926, he and E. Fern Skerritt were married. They have one daughter, Margarite, born in June 1937. Mr. and Mrs. Burgoin live on the Maple Grove Stock Farm where Mr. Burgoin's grandfather first settled in Mills Countym and Margarite attended Excelsior District School as did her grandmother Burgoin. Margarite is now a Junior in Silver City School. Mr. Burgoin has served on the board of Directors of the Silver City State Band since 1939 and as president since 1947. He is a Trustee of the Methodist Church, and M Mrs. Burgoin serves in the W.S.C.S. as well as president of the Cemetery Association.

ALICE M. was graduated from Nebraska Wesleyan University with a B.S. degree and later from Ames where she received a Master's Degree. She taught Home Economics in the schools at Pacific Junction and Elliott, Iowa and later in Stout Institute at Menominie, Wisconsin. In 1933, she was elected to the staff at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York. She is at present, Associate Professor in the Department of Institutional Foods and Management.

PHYLLIS attended Nebraska Wesleyan University, received her degree in kindergarten work and taught primary at Louisville, Nebraska, and in Silver City before her marriage to Glenn Skerritt in June 1926. Two sons were born to them. Roger passing away at the age of two mo. in 1927 and Harold who was born on March 2, 1930. Harold graduated from high school in Silver City in 1946 and attended agricultural school at Ames for two years. He has since completed two years as a paratrooper in the army. He received a Corporal's rating as an instructor before being discharged in December, 1953. DORA E. was graduated from Nebraska Wesleyan University with a B.A. degree and taught in the Silver City High before her marriage to Vinson Goos in 1935. Her home is on the old Tucker homestead adjoining the Maple Grove Farm (Mrs. Tucker and Mrs. George T. Rew were sisters in the Miller family) Mrs. Goos served as the first president of the Women's Society of Christian Service for four years immediately following its organization. She was for five years Missionary Education Secretary on the Des Moines Conference and for two years served as a District officer in the W.S.C.S. She is at present taking work on a Master's Degree from Omaha University. MARJORIE was graduated from Nebraska Wesleyan University with a B.A. degree and embarked upon a teaching career which took her at first to the old Excelsior District for her experience in the profession. She later taught at Sac City and at Smouse Opportunity School in Des Moines. She was married to Frank Raynor in February, 1949, and they made their home in Boone, Iowa, where he passed away a year later. Mrs. Raynor had one son, James, who was born July 8, 1950. They have a new home and live Des Moines where Mrs. Raynor teaches in the Woodrow Wilson School.

By Rew Burgoin

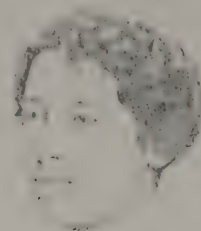
MARKEL

ADAM b. 2-22-1838 Perry Co. Pa. came to Mills Co. Ia early and m. 1-12-1863 Sarah A. Lewis, dau. of Daniel Lewis, a pioneer Mills Co. res. They had 3 s: Philip, Daniel and Thomas. Mrs. Markel d. 4-7-1872 and 1874 he m. Martha Ellen Herrick of Pa. They were successful pioneer farmers living 2 1/2 miles from the present site of Silver City. He was a member of the first Board of Trustees of the Methodist Church 1881 and d. 3-20-1910. PHILIP S. b. 4-20-1867 Mills Co. was a successful farmer, m. 11-26-1895 Emma Irene Hohn. They had 2 s. George and Lloyd. LLOYD graduated from Silver City high school, was a successful farmer living on the old homestead. He now res. Glenwood m. Irene Walker and has 2 dau. DANIEL L. b. 9-2-1870 Mills Co. was a successful farmer near Silver City, attended Tabor College, was a member of Silver Grange, Masonic, Eastern Star, Royal Arch Masons, Knights Templar and Shrine lodges. He m. 2-5-1900 Emma Bauerkemper and he d. 6-15-1941. They had no children; Mrs. Markel lives in Silver City where she is active in the Methodist church and Eastern Star. THOMAS m. Mary Rice was a successful farmer in Center twp. They had 3 ch: Bessie m. Sherman Stonebraker and lives in Henderson Ia; Katie, graduated from Jennie Edmundson Hospital School of Nursing and res. Council Bluffs and HARRY who was in World War II is m. and living on the old home farm and has 1 son.

SILVER CITY WOMEN PROMINENT IN THEIR FIELDS OF WORK



ALICE REEVE-M.A. - Columbia University N. Y.
Mathematics Instructor, New York City



MAUDE FLANAGAN (deceased)
M.A. University of Chicago
Primary Supervisor,
Mitchell, S. Dak.



ALICE BURGOIN (with James Raynor)
M.A. Iowa State College, Ames.
Associate Professor, Cornell, Univ.,
Ithaca, N. Y.



MARGARET PULLMAN, R.N.
Supervisor
University Hospital, Omaha, Nebr.

ISRAEL, b. 6-9-1814, Wayne Co. Ky. s of John and Priscilla (Du Vall) Huffaker, walked with his brothers Jacob and Miles to Ill. He lived first in Morgan Co. and then Bureau Co. Ill. He m 5-1-1834 Anna Marie Kurtz in Ky. He united with the Church of Christ (Mormon) in 1841 and was ordained as Bishop in 1944, and later designated as one in lineage of Levi. He broke with Joseph Smith over the policies of the church before they started their westward trek; but he remained a zealous and energetic worker in the Mormon church. He followed his son, Henry Harrison to Silver City 1890, held church services in his home N. W. of town every Sunday. Mrs. Huffaker d. 7-20-1895 and he d. 12-20-1896. They had 8 ch. ld young. Mary Jane, Vardiman, Henry Harrison, Sarah Elizabeth, Annarpy, Catherine and Harriet.

MARY JANE m Noah Heater and remained in Ill. VARDIMAN d. young manhood. SARAH ELIZABETH m Spake and had a s. LAFE SPAKE who farmed near Silver City a number of yrs. He had a dau. Edith who m. John Mills and had 5 ch. Clifford, Vera, Grace, Evelyn and Geneva.

ANNARPY m James Hoover, lived on her fathers farm following his death, she had; Harry, Israel, Anna and Myrtle.

LEWIS W. b. 8-11-1838, Versales, Ripley Co. Ind. s. of Rev. Miles and Harriet (Townsend) Huffaker. After his father, a Methodist Minister d. when he was 14, he went to Bureau Co. Ill. to live with his uncle Israel. He was educated at Dover Academy, Rureak College and Bryan Stealton College in Chicago. He served in Civil War; m 1-11-1867-Sarah Ann Henderson and came to Ingraham twp. Mills Co. 1870. He moved into Silver City 1881 was a farmer, teacher, Justice of Peace 37 years, real estate and insurance dealer 28 yrs; a member of Rigdonite branch of Church of Christ, a leader in Masonic, I.O.O.F. Encampment, and G.A.R. circles. They had 6 ch: Charles, Miles, Harry d young, Lewis Dale, Ida May and Viva Grace. Mrs. Huffman er d. 8-29-1916 and he d. 6-11-1918.

CHARLES W. b. 2-22-1868, Bureau Co. Ill. m 1890 Frona Mass. was a farmer at Silver City, Pender and Crawford Nebr. and Loveland Colo. They had no ch. but adopted Grace Burk who m. Forest Groff-she d. a few yrs. ago. They also adopted a boy Earl who is living at Loveland and has several ch. He d. 1-14-1947. Mrs. Huffaker is still living at Loveland.

MILES VARDIMAN b. 7-1-1869 Bureau Co. Ill. m 4-1892 Dora Perkins. He was a farmer in Pott Co. and Harrison Co. Ia. many yrs lived also at Manila and Mapleton Ia. was a member of the Methodist Church and Masonic lodge. They had 12 ch; Irvin. m. Florence Holdredge, served in World War 1 and has 3 ch; Harold, Lee and Maxine, all are m. and have ch. DALE m. Clara Waite had 5 ch. most of them living Des Moines, he d. 1945, VERA m. John Boyd and has 5 ch. Reva, Fern, John, Ted and Wayne. He has been a successful farmer she a teacher in Harrison Co for many years; FLOYD m. Florence Wilmont has 3 ch; Joyce, Dean and Duan and is successful farmer at Clarion Ia. Velna m. Walter Myers and had 3 ch; Marjorie, Bonnie Lou and Billy who is a Baptist Minister in Ky. She later m. Alois Feige and she d. 1952. LOLA m. Ralph Wilcox had 3 ch. Gerain, Norma and Ralph Jr. She d. Los Angeles 1940. MAGIE m. Joe Buchman, has 2 ch. Lee and Howard, lives in Omaha ands. Lee is studing for the Priesthood. MILES VERNOM m. Clarice Huesselman, has 3 ch; Kay, Myrna and Jack. He lives in Omaha where is is sales manager for Union Outfitting Co. CHRISTLE m. Marvin Simmons has 2 ch. Barbara and Robert Twins, both live in Omaha. Barbara is m. and has 2 ch. She later m. John Ratherham and lives in Omaha. Eldred m. Erma Marr, has 2 ch. Jerene and Rollinn, Jerene is m. He lives in Manila where he is freight agent for the Milwaukee, RR. DOROTHY m. Robert Crisp, lives in Calif. and has a s. Richard; George d. young.

LEWIS DALE b. 4-24-1873-Mills Co. m. Alice Morse, a member of another pioneer family. He was educated at Gem City Business College Quincy Ill. and was an early merchant in Silver City. He moved to Richards Mo. where he was cashier of the Richards Bank and where he d. 2-23-1937 He was a member of Masonic and Eastern Star Lodges. They had 1 s. MORRIS b. 1900 and d. 9-2-1949 Centralia Ill. He m 3-4-1940 Luella Spaur, they had no ch. She still lives Centralia where she is Credit Manager for Montgomery Ward and Co.

SELL

CHARLES VIVIAN b. 6-27-1877 Liberal Mo. came to Iowa in childhood, later removed to Billings Mont. and returned to Silver City in a few yrs. He was a successful farmer, member of Masonic and I.O.O.F. lodges. He m 2-22-1903 Nettie Eleanor Hoover. They had 3 ch., Mildred, Genevieve, adn Harrison. Mr. & Mrs. Sell were killed in an automobile accident in California 12-17-1946. They were buried in Silver City in a double funeral.

MILDRED b. 2-28-1905 Silver City m. Edward Carl Kruse. He has been a successful farmer They have 2 ch; Robert Edward now in the armed forces and Bonnie Lourine a graduate of S. C. H. S. and Cedar Falls Teachers College now teaching in Omaha Public School System. GENEVIEVE b. 8-20-1909 graduated from S. C. H. S. m. 1935 Conrad Kruse Jr. He is a successful farmer and they have 2 ch; Gerald and Charles.

HARRISON is a successful farmer n. of Silver City. He m. Elaine Dorothy Miller. They have 2 ch. Wayne Keith and Joyce Elaine.



ELTON LAWSON

LAWSON

Ole Lawson, born Feb. 1894, Oslo, Norway, arrived in America 1853, spent 8 or 9 years in the far West with Malcolm McKenzie, who drove a stage coach in Wyoming, while Mr. Lawson did freighting. They had many adventures-one being that of sleeping under their wagons loaded with dynamite. In 1866 he came to Iowa and with H. Ouren bought a place on the Old Stage Trail on Silver Creek. Here they kept a stage station and farmed. This had been one of the old Mormon settlements on which were still a number of Mormon huts. In one of these hewn-log huts was the first school on Silver Creek. After a few years this place was sold to John Van Kirk.

In 1869 Mr. Lawson bought the place on which he and his descendants have lived ever since. There were then only 6 or 7 rude shanties in what is now Silver and Keg Creek townships. He built a house and barns which are still used. February 1871, he married Viola Orr, daughter of Johnson Orr, who had come from Ohio to Iowa City to a farm 3 miles north of Silver City. She died in

1881, leaving three small children. Elton, the eldest, born 2-19-1874, on the homestead, attended Highland Park College in Des Moines. He married 2-26-1896, Minnie E. Parker, daughter of Henry and Betty Parker, early settlers east of Silver City. He was a successful farmer and livestock feeder, living on the homestead all his life except for a few years in Silver City, where he built a house in which the family lived while the children attended high school. He is a Methodist, Mason, director of Farmer's State Bank; and a member of school boards, both in town and in Living Springs district until his death 4-15-1944. He was a highly respected citizen, benevolent in quiet unassuming manner. Mr. and Mrs. Lawson had 6 children; Floyd, Florence, Ralph, Kenneth, Melvin, and Marjorie who died at 2 1/2 years. Floyd, born 12-20-1896, who attended Silver City High School and Tabor College before he served in World War I, farms the homestead. He is a member of American Legion, Methodist Church, and Masonic Lodge. He married 12-22-1923 Margaret Lower, who taught in Silver City High School from 1919-1924. They had 7 children: Lewis, graduate of University of Nebraska, is a junior engineer with Ford Motor Co. at Detroit; Donald, working on his masters degree at the University of Nebraska, has 2 sons, Mark Elton and Paul; Gerald, died 1-17-1950; James, radarman USS Manchester; Anice, student at Omaha; Robert, high school senior; and Ronald, 14.

Florence, attended Nebraska Wesleyan, is a member of Methodist Church, American Legion Auxiliary and charter member of Eastern Star. She and her mother live together on the family homestead.

Ralph, born 1-2-1901, a successful farmer and livestock producer lives a mile east on a farm once belonging to Ole Lawson. After graduation from Silver City High School he attended Nebraska Wesleyan University. He is a Methodist and a Mason, married 10-4-1923, Eva Murphy, Sidney, Iowa. They have 3 daughters; Ellen, with M.A. Degree from Boston University is completing medical training at Tuft's College married Dr. Aaron Stevens. Anita, graduate University. Married Frank Munk, Omaha; Lois, married Wm. Mayberry, Council Bluffs, has 2 children; Irene and David.

Kenneth, graduate of University of Nebraska, is Gen. Commercial Sup't. of Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Co., married Lillian Lewis, Lincoln, has a daughter, Kay, senior in high school.

Melvin, graduate of School of Osteopathy, Kirksville, Mo., and with graduate work at University of Wisconsin, has a successful practice at Ashippun, Wisconsin and is on the staff of the staff of the hospital at Hustisford. He married 9-5-1928, Merle Tucker, of Blair, Nebraska.

By Margaret Lawson

BORENE

Fred Borene was born in the central part of Seveden on November 26, 1858. He came to America in 1882 and located at Galesburg, Illinois. He lived there only a short time and then went to Colorado where he worked for the Andrew Cattle Company in that state and also in Kansas. In 1885 he went to Essex, Iowa where he operated a butcher shop for 6 years for Nelson and Preston. In 1891 he owned his own Meat Market but lived in several places until he located in Silver City, 1898. In 1899 he built a brick structure on West Main street which housed the meat market as long as the butcher shop was a business in itself. This building is still in good repair and is at present the home of the Silver City Library. Mr. Borene and Louicy Cralson were married in 1894. Their three daughters Nellie, Edna and Ica were all born in Silver City.

After a number of years Mr. Borene sold his shop to H. C. Kochendufer and went to Imogene and later to Malvern establishing in each place a neat and attractive meat market. Both Mr. & Mrs. Borene died and are buried at Malvern. Nellie taught in Silver City for several years, married and went to Oregon. Edna and Ica are both in their own homes.

HAMMER

Carl Ernst (Charles) b. 2-16-1845 at Hohenfelde, Gut Panker, Schleswig-Holstein, Germany. He came to America and Mills Co. 1864 and m. 5-30-1874, Anna Deitchler. He was a successful farmer south of Silver City for many years and was a member of the Lutheran Church. He d. 10-8-1921. They had 8 ch.; Martha m. William Jones; MINNIE m. A.W. Schoening. They live south of Mineola. They had 7 ch; Malida m. John Neimiller lives at Mineola and have 2 s. Harvey m. Mae Kruse and lives in Glenwood and have 3 ch; Lois, June and Donald. Lillie m. Kiersch and lives at Logan and has ch; Helen m. Joe Scheel and lives at Carson, Albert m. Mabel Scheel, she d. 5-1-1941. They had 3 s. LaVerne, Edwin and LeRoy, later m. Doris Sanders and have 2 ch; Lorna Jane and Dale Harvey. They live at Silver City. Woodrow m. Frankie and have 2 s. and live at Mineola. Ormand m. Jensen and have 3 ch; and live at Mineola. VENA m. Albert Asmussen, had 3 s. 1 d. and Kenneth and Arno are m. and live at Glenwood. CHARLES W. was b-6-19-1879, near Mineola m. 2-26-1902, Cora and Allbee; he operated the home place for many years, was a member of I.O.O.F., Rebekah and Masonic Lodges; was baptised in the Lutheran Church and later united with the Methodist Church. They had 2 dau. Avis now Mrs. Hatcher of Pacific Junction and Anna Geneva is m. and lives in Glenwood. He d. 5-31-1934. JOHN m. Peterson, lives in Tabor and have 4 ch; HERBERT m. Ethel Speck lives in Glenwood and have 4 ch; Louis and Clara are living in Glenwood.

DAVIS

Thomas A., was born in Ohio and educated there in the public schools of Prospect and at a Pharmacy College. His mother was Dorothy Landon a sister of Erasters F. Landon, and his father was John Davis. Soon after Silver City was founded, he came to his uncles home and was employed by Wm. G. Moore in his drug store in Silver City. After working here for several years. Tommy went to Pawnee City, Nebraska and was there until re retired. They had 2 daughters; Fern who graduated from University of Nebraska, taught several years and married John W. Getchell of Neligh. They later lived at Scottsbulff and are now living in California. They have 2 children: John Warren and Dorothy both are married, have children and are living in California; and Madge was educated in Music at New Orleans. Married Charles Easterly of Carbondale, Illinois. They had 1 son, Thomas. Mr. Easterly died a few years ago. The son, Thomas is married has children and is a business man in Carbondale. His mother is living in Carbondale and is a partner in their business.

CHILDS

A.F. Childs born 10-25-1906 married 3-15-1935 Irene Parman. Owns and operates a Trucking firm and Feed Store. He is the present Mayor; a member of the I.O.O.F., volunteer fireman and Farm Bureau. They have 2 daughters: Karen and Gwendolyn. His father Sherman Child born 1881 died 1934 married Mary Lubben, operated the Goldapp Trucking Firm for a number of years. He had 8 children; Albert F., Loren, Bill, Anna now Mrs. Allen McCoy, Celia now Mrs. Marvin Pullman and Adelphia now Mrs. Ronald Bryant.

MR. & MRS.
JOHN FLANAGAN



R.A. FLANAGAN

FLANAGAN

The pioneer of this family was JOHN, b. 1-1827 in Summit Co. Ohio; he m. 3-20-1851 Mary Ann Piles in Ohio; they migrated to Atcheson Co. Mo. and later to Pott Co. Ia. After a few years they moved to a farm S. E. of the present site of Silver City. They were of the sturdy Irish stock that made successful pioneers in early Iowa. 12 ch. were b. to them, 5 of them died before reaching maturity. Mr. Flanagan died 12-13-1896 and Mr. Flanagan d. 12-13-1899.

Of the ch. SARAH, m. Thomas McCoy and moved to Kans. where several of her ch. live today. THOMAS, removed to Canada where he d. past 80 yrs. of age. CHARLES, d. 1906. FRANK, settled in Calif., dying there in 1944; his dau. resides there today. EMMA, m. Edwin Morse, a pioneer Silver City resident. Her ch. are listed under her husband's life sketch.

AMANDA m. Dr. John Nickerson. He practiced in several towns in Nebr. and S. Dak. They 4 ch; Elbert, Earl, Esther and Mabel. ELBERT, graduated from the Presbyterian Seminary in Omaha, and has served the Presbyterian Church at Wahoo, Nebraska, for more than 30 years as its minister. He is m. has no ch. He was a Y.M.C.A. Sec. during World War I. EARL, is a member of the John Beno Firm in Council Bluffs. He has been Sec. of the firm for a number of yrs. He is m. and has a son Kenneth, living in Council Bluffs and has a son Mike. Earl served in World War I, is a member of the Presbyterian Church, the Am. Legion and is prominent in business in Council Bluffs. The son Kenneth was a Ger. prisoner in World War II. ESTHER, is Mrs. Jack Mulligan of Redfield S. Dak. She has no ch. MABLE, is the widow of Charles Alberts, a former Malvern farmer. She is now living in Texas. She has 3 dau; LUCILLE, is the w. of Dale Kline, a farmer near Malvern and has 6 ch; RUTH is Mrs. Ralph Freeman of Lincoln Nebr. and has a s. Michel; ANNABELLE, a graduate of the School of Nursing of Jennie Edmundson Hospital Council Bluffs, is the w. of Dr. Hesquio Rodriguez at Rio Hondo, Texas and has 3 sons.

JOHN GROVE FLANAGAN b. 11-9-1857 Atcheson Co. Mo. went to Kans. where he m. 3-31-1886 Blanche Crawford; they returned to Mills Co. 1888 where he engaged in farming and stock raising on the old homestead. He was considered one of the best stock farmers in the community. On 1907 they moved into Silver City where he became active in the affairs of the town. He served on the city council, was Mayor, Pres. of the Farmers State Bank and the Silver City State Bank; he was a supporting member of the Methodist Church and of Silver Grange. They were parents of 3 ch; Neva, d. young, Roy and Maude. She d. 3-24-1933 and he d. 5-5-1946.

ROY ADRIAN b. 2-4-1887, Ellsworth Kans; graduate from Silver City high school, attended Cornell College and Omaha Business College. He res. in several cities as an employee of a Gas and Power Co.; was in China 3 yrs. with an Importing-Exporting Co.; lived in Alaska several years; circled the Globe returned to Silver City 1933 where he is engaged in farming. He served in France in World War I; is a member of the Am. Legion, V.F.W., Masonic and Scottish Rite Lodges. He m. 9-17-1935 Ida Landon a member of another pioneer family.

MAUDE was educated at Silver City High School, Cornell College, Cedar Falls State Teachers, Chicago Uni. where she received a Masters Degree. Her early teaching experience was in Iowa. But for 25 yrs. she was located at Mitchell S. Dak. At the time of her death, 8-3-1946, she was Principal of the Litchfield School and Supervisor of the Primary Grades in the Mitchell Public Schools. She was prominent in the primary field of education in S. Dak; and was a member of the Congregational Church and P.E.O.



PLUMBER-BURGOIN HOMESTEAD

The beautiful old 11 room house shown above was used as a Stage Inn for passengers on the Western Stage Co's. Line. It was built in the very early day by Mr. Ward who hauled the lumber by teams and wagons from Des Moines and is located 2 miles N.E. of the present site of Silver City.

He later sold it to a Mr. Beck, who operated the Inn for few years selling it to Mr & Mrs. Hurlbutt Benton. They sold it to Frank H. Plumer about 1884 when he and Margaret Pullman were married; and here they lived for many yrs. before moving into their beautiful home in Silver City. It was later the lovely farm home of their dau. Maude and her husband, James Arthur Burgoin, and still is in their possession.

An elaborate system of call bells have been kept in excellent condition and the room number on the doors, have been carefully painted back on whenever the house has been redecorated. Either Mr. Ward or one of the other early owners planted an avenue of cedars from the house to the road, which along with many large elms and other trees, make a beautiful setting for this well preserved and lovely house.

FRANK HENRY PLUMER, b. 3-23-1859 in the Plumer Settlement of Mills Co.; son of Wm. and Margaret Plumber, was educated at Council Bluffs schools and law school at Davenport College. He was a large landowner, farmer and stockman. He was a member of the Board of Supervisors of Mills Co. for 2 terms, the 1st. Pres. of the Farmers State Bank and a member of the Lutheran Church. He m. 1884 Margaret Pullman a member of another pioneer family. He d. 3-29-1941 and Mrs. Plumer d. 5-18-1953, age 93. They were parents of four daughters Lucille, Ernestine, Maude Elizabeth, Frances Mary and Dorothy Lisle. **LUCILE ERNESTINE** b. 10-11-1886 was educated in the public schools, Tabor College and received a Music Degree from Grinnell College. She m. 1-11-1922 Paul Flammant, and had a dau. **LUCILLE** who d. 10-19-1946.

MAUDE ELIZABETH b. 6-13-1889, graduated from S.C.H., Grinnell College and Cedar Falls, taught at Silver City and Essex and m. James Arthur Burgoin. They have 1 dau. Jean who m. Donald Goos.

FRANCES MARY b. 4-15-1893, graduated from Silver City High School and St. Mary's Council Bluffs. She is now Mrs. O.C. Bunton of Caldwell, Idaho and has 2 dau: Donna & Dorothy.

DOROTHY LISLE b 2-8-1899, graduated from Silver City high school, later attended Brownwell Hall, Omaha, m. Clifford Williams and now lives near Council Bluffs. They have 2 ch. Margaret and James, both m. and have ch.

JAMES ARTHUR BURGOIN b. 2-7-1893 Silver City, s. of Wm. and Mae (Morse) Burgoin was educated in the public school and College at Pella, Ia. and Ames. He m. 6-3-1914 Maude Plumer. He is a successful farmer, a member of the Farm Bureau, Mills Co. Conservation Committee; and since moving into Silver City is a member of the city council. Their dau. **JEAN** graduated from Silver City high school and is now the w. of Donald Goos a farmer near Silver City.



C.A. MOORE - EARL BRYANT - LAURA DUNAGAN

MOORE

Wm. George b. 1-1-1851, Harrison Co. Ohio, was one of the first settlers in Silver City. He built the second building here in 1879 in which he operated a drug store. He m. 5-22-1872, Leah Billingsley in Ohio. He was identified with the early growth of Silver City, helping many of the business enterprises get a start, being an early member of the school board, I.O.O.F. and Masons. At the time of his death, 2-2-1917, he was the oldest early settler here. They had 8 ch: of whom 5, Charles, Laura, James, Reno, Thomas and Maude reached maturity. Mrs. Moore d. 3-19-1918.

CHARLES ALVIN was b. 12-20-1874 New Philadelphia, Ohio. He also was active in the early progress of the community. He traveled for a number of years with Swarts' famous trotters and pacers to fairs and race tracks all over the nation. He later engaged in the successful operation of a general store and in farming activities. He m. 12-31-1902 Laura VanKirk Hostetter. They had 2 ch: Eunice and Clifford. He was a member of the Methodist church, Masons, I.O.O.F. and a charter member of the Rebekah lodge. He d. 1-6-1946 and Mrs. Moore d. 9-15-1950.

EUNICE was educated in the public schools and m. Ed. Schroeder, a prominent farmer near Treynor; they have 3 ch: Theil, Jeannine and Ed Jr. She now lives in Council Bluffs.

CLIFFORD V. graduated from Silver City High School, and was engaged in farming with his father. He served in the Navy in the Pacific Theater during World War II. He is active in High School Alumni, Masonic, and American Legion activities.

LAURA MOORE, m. Lem Dunagan. He d. a few years later. She had 2 dau. Viva m. Harry Stout and Madge m. Fred Madderman; both reside at Los Angeles, Calif. She lived in Silver City practically all of her life and was active in community affairs.

JAMES RENO was the first white child born in Silver City, so he celebrates his 75th birthday along with the town (Legend has it that an Indian child was the first child born here - whether this is fact or fancy we are not able to state). He m. Dorothy Tunison and lived at Malvern for a number of years. They had 7 ch: Evelyn, Lucille, d. young, Katherine, Jean, Fritz, Ted and Bob. He m. later Mary Saunders and they have 2 ch: Owen and Leah. Owen is m. and is serving in the armed forces; Leah has been employed in Council Bluffs since her graduation from High School. Reno is a carpenter working in Silver City.

THOMAS was connected with the Manila Ia. newspaper and d. there 12-31-1915.

MAUDE D. in 1907.

Another pioneer MOORE family was that of JOHN SKANKLIN. He was b. 9-28-1842 Franklin Co. Ohio. He came to Mills Co, 1852 and was m. 11-10-1867 to Harriet Hency. He farmed for a time, later moved to town where he was a brick-layer, mason and plasterer. His ch were Clarence, J. Edd, Maude, Cora, Katie, John, Fred W. Frank W. and George.

CLARENCE farmed in Mills Co for many years and d. a few years ago at Hastings.

J. EDD went to Kansas where he was R.R. man. MAUDE is now Mrs. Rook and lives in Nebr.

CORA m. Charles Hunt who has farmed near Silver City for many years. Their dau, Mae m Dr. C. O. Johnson and was the mother of Kenneth Johnson of our community and of Wayne Johnson now living in Okla. She d. in 1930.

KATIE m. Hal Howser, had 2 dau. Adah m. Clifton Cross and Lola m. Raymond Kruse. She is still living in Silver City where she has always been active in affairs of the community.

JOHN m. Alice Hooker, has a s. Homer. He farmed for many years, is now a carpenter and is living in town. He is a member of I.O.O.F., Rebekah, Masonic and Eastern Star Lodge.

Another JOHN MOORE family lived here at a later date. He m. Margaret Rachel Jane May. They had 5 ch: Albert, Frank, Purl, Guy and May. They later moved Bassett, Nebr. where they both d. Of his ch: ALBERT taught in our schools several yrs. m. Emma Huffaker, moved to Canada, where they now live at Winnipeg, have 2 ch. Albert Keith and Virginia Alice.

FRANK m. Erie Pickenpaugh and removed Bassett, Nebr. where he d. PURL was in Canadian army during World War I, m. Sadie May and live in Washington state. GUY and MAY m. at Bassett and live there.

MORSE

A pioneer of Silver City was Edwin Morse, b. 4-28-1852, Summerset Co, Maine. He was a lumberman, merchant and grain dealer. He built the elevators at Silver City, Shenandoah, Malvern, Mineola and Strahan. He was also an early Postmaster here. He m. 11-23-1883 Emma Flanagan, a member of another pioneer family. They had 5 ch, 2 dau. d. young, Alfred, Wm. Millard and Isaac Horace. ALFRED d. in Detroit 2 yrs. ago; Wm. Millard m. Bertha Strohlman, lives in Omaha and has 2 ch: Milton, m. and living in Omaha and Margeruite m. and living in Tex. ISAAC HORACE saw overseas duty in both World War I and World War II and is now in advertising business in Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. Morse moved to Omaha yrs. ago where he d. 10-31-1929 and she d. 1949, both are bur. at Silver City. He was a member of Masonic Lodge.

Another pioneer family of MORSE was that of SILAS MORSE, who was b. 3-24-1843, Rome, N.Y. he m. 3-26-1860 Betsey Hallam; they lived Kalamozoo Co. and Vicksburg, Mich. They came to Mills Co. by covered wagon in 1871. He farmed for many yrs. and moved into Silver City 1895. He was identified with the early history of the community being a charter member of the Baptist, a member of town council and Masonic lodge. He brought with him to this community an old gun which was made in France in 1507. It was a flint lock and also had a bayonet. He broke the lock in unloading it from the covered wagon. On the stock was cut the date 1507 and in another place was engraved "manufactured in Charlesville", which was in France and was the only town of that name in 1507. They were parents of 7 ch: 2 s. d. young, LYVAH, m. Alfred Hepler, an early merchant and hotel man in Silver City, later moved to Fort Scott, Kans. where he d. They had Ilah, Wave, Dale, Irene, George and Theil; MAY m. Wm. Burgoin, her family will be found in Burgoin history; ALICE m. Lewis Dale Huffaker, a member of another pioneer family. Her s. Morse d. 9-2-1948.

STOGDILL

JAMES BENTON b. 6-27-1874, Bloomfield, Ia, son of Morris and Edith Stogdill; he m. 1894 Frances Ann Shelton. They came to Silver City 1913 where he farmed and later operated the dray line. He moved to Council Bluffs 1922 where he d. 5-22-1932. Mrs. Stogdill d. 4-15-1925 and he m. 10-4-1926. Mrs. Carrie L. Bowman. Of his children, CHARLES WESLEY, served in World War I, married Ruby Sell, she d. a few weeks later; and he married Fay Sell, a sister of Ruby. He d. 5-23-1925; MORRIS d. 4-16-1930. FRANCES L. lives in the West, and RUTH m. Carlisle Clipson.

McCOY

The pioneer of this family was James born 1804 in Fayette County Pennsylvania. He married Margaret Graham a native of Pa., who was raised by a German family. They went by covered wagon in 1839 to Fulton, Illinois and in 1840 to Scott County Iowa, coming to Ingraham Township in 1850. They were of the practical pioneer stock that made them successful and prominent in local affairs. Mr. McCoy held many township offices and died 1865. Mrs. McCoy died 1875, both are buried at East Liberty Cemetery. They had 3 sons and 5 daughters. Of the sons: JOSEPH went to Oregon where he died at the age of 60 and his son was killed there by the Indians. THOMAS married 3-6-1874 Sarah Margaret Flanagan. They had 11 children: Freddie T., Lillie Lenore, Harry, Nellie and Fayette twins, William, Margaret, Almira, Ralph, Birdie and Bessie. RALPH born 6-15-1894. He married Anna Laura Zavoosky. They live at Ellsworth, Kansas where he is a successful farmer and they have 4 children; MAJOR who is now a teacher, JOYCE ANN and RONALD DALE and DONALD DEAN twins at home.

MARGARET married Christfor McDonough lives at Shelby, Mont., and has 3 children: James and Harry who are attorneys and Catherine who is married and she and her husband are both doctors.

NELLIE married George Thayer has 8 children: Charles, Joe, George, Ralph, Dorothy, Grover, Dale and Mildred.

BESSIE married Ralph Gregory, lives in Manhattan, Kansas and has 3 children: Vada, Lee R. and Ray Charles.

CASPER O born 1-5-1829, Uniontown, Fayette County Pa. He married 1851 Lucinda Watkins, they had 2 children; a son and a daughter both went to California. Mrs. McCoy died and he married a second time 1856 Frances Butts. They had 3 children: Lillian, William, and Lee. Mrs. McCoy died 1875 and in 1877 he married Mrs. Josephine Orr. Mr. McCoy was a very successful farmer for many years owning and operating over 500 acres of land.

LILLIAN married John N. Hettinger a pioneer merchant of Silver City. She lived only a few years after her marriage.

WILLIAM born 6-19-1860 in Ingraham Township. He married 10-30-1883 Julia Vanderbilt Wyant. They farmed for a number of years east of Silver City and moved into town in the early 1900's where he died 9-24-1909. Mr. and Mrs. McCoy were identified with the growth and development of the community as long as health permitted them to be. They had 3 children: George Arth died 1894, Mabel and Frances A. Mrs. McCoy died 12-1-1918.

MABEL married Harry Remington of Omaha and has 1 daughter Maurine. She later married Mr. Teller and lived in Lincoln and St. Joseph, Missouri. They had children:

She is now living at a Rest Home in Colorado Springs, Colo, and her daughter: Maurine is married and lives near by.

FRANCES A. married G. W. McGee and lives at Norfolk, Nebraska. They have 2 sons. Both Mabel and Frances were popular members of young peoples groups in Silver City when the family lived here.

LEE G. born about 1862 in Ingraham Township was a successful farmer near Silver City for many years. He married 1-21-1891 Orphy Mae Speer. They moved to Twin Falls, Idaho about 1934 where he died 1935 and she died 1-15-1941. They had 14 children; GEORGE, EDWARD, WILLIAM, GLENN and Mrs. GEO. WILLIAMS and Mrs. ED. BEHREND. MARY married H. A. Schroeder and lives in Council Bluffs, MAUDE is Mrs. Straight, WAYVE is Mrs. Hartz, PEARL LUCILLE is Mrs. Green, LOUISE is a graduate of Jennie Hospital School of Nursing.

SAAR

CHARLES EDWARD born Nov. 1861 southeast of Council Bluffs in Mills County, son of Henry and Sophie Saar. He married May 1886 Mary Anna Bauerkemper. She was born 1-26-1868 in Pott. County, the daughter of William and Margaret Bauerkemper. They moved to the Saar homestead where their son Louis Edward was born 5-27-1887. In March 1888 they purchased a farm of 320 acres 2 miles north of Silver City where 2 sons were born and both died in infancy. Their son CHARLES WILLIAM was born 4-14-1892 2 months after his father's death. In 1913 Charles bought 160 acres of the original farm on which he was born and where he still lives. He

married Oct. 20-1915 Clara Kochenderfer, daughter of Howard and Elize Kochenderfer. He specialized in Hereford Cattle and thoroughbred hybrid hogs. He also feeds cattle.

LOUIS EDWARD married Nora Wasserman daughter of Herman and Sadie Wasserman of Idaho Falls, Idaho, on 1-22-1918. They have 1 daughter Romona. She is a graduate of Pocatello Hospital School of Nursing. She served in Korea for 2 years in the Army Nurse Corps. She is married to Capt. Fred Manning who was also in Korea. They are now both serving in Okinawa. She has the present rank of Major. Louis was a successful farmer in Idaho for many years. He died March 3, 1954. Mrs. Saar is living in Idaho Falls.

By Mrs. Charles Saar.

MASS

This is another pioneer family that had its roots in Germany.

KAY P. was born 6-12-1822 Carlbert Schleswig. He married in Germany 1850, Chartlina Jualmann. They came to Mills County in 1874 where he farmed for many years. They moved to Silver City where she died 2-21-1907 and he died 3-30-1915. They had 8 children: John J., Dore, Chris, Maggie; Henry, Mary and a daughter died 12-5-1903.

HENRY was born 3-26-1854 in Schleswig Germany. He came to Mills County 1875 and Silver City 1880, owning and operating one of the early butcher shops here. He married 1879, Caroline Frohardt. They had 6 children: 1 died young, Gussie now Mrs. Carter of Omaha, Mattie, Mrs. Whitmore; Hennrietta, Mrs. Skantz and Tillie. He moved to Omaha many years ago where he died, 9-30-1925 and where his family still lives.

JOHN J. was born 12-7-1849 in Sivanson Germany. He was the first of the family to come to America, his parents and the family coming later. He was a large land owner, successful farmer and stockman. He married 5-8-1876 Sophia Voss. They had 9 children: William, Otto, Lena, Laura, Mary, Bertha, Maude, Sarah and Ella. They were members of the Lutheran Church, he died 5-10-1915 and she died 12-7-1924.

WILLIAM was a prominent and successful farmer east of Silver City for many years. He died at his home in May 1953 and Mrs. Mass is now building a lovely new home in Silver City. Their son JOHN graduated from S.C.H.S. He married Alvena Roenfeldt, and is living on the old Mass homestead where he is very successful. He has recently been elected a director of the Silver City State Bank. They have 3 children: Bill, Elaine and Sharon.

OTTO farmed for many years east of Silver City is a large landowner and retired a few years ago. He served as Director of Silver City State Bank for a number of years, retiring this year because of ill health. He is living now near Malvern, since Mrs. Mass's death to be near his son, Otha and his family who are successfully farming there and have a lovely new home just north of Malvern.

CHRISTIAN KAY was born 8-8-1860 in Schleswig Germany. He came with the family to Mills County. He married 1883 Doris Hoeck. He was also a successful farmer later moved to Silver City where he died 3-27-1941 and Mrs. Mass died 4-30-1941. They had 10 children: Edward, George married Ella Jurgens, Anne married Ed. Miller, Pauline married Henry Kahl, Margaret married John K. Mass; Harry married Edna Gray; Ferdinand married Freda Saar; Carl married Mary Dietchler; Ida married Elmer Dietchler and Edna married Frances Kuntz.

FRAZIER

JOHN R. born 12-20-1821 in Fulton County Indiana. He married 3-30-1848 Julia Thompson; they came to Mills County Iowa about 1850. He was a successful farmer for many years, and removed to Silver City where he died 1-2-1899. Mrs. Frazier died 1-16-1920. They had 7 children: Mary died young, Randall, Robert T., James William, Charles and Cecilia.

JAMES A. born 12-31-1848 Newton, Ohio. He came to Mills County 1874 and Silver City 1880. He was a commission man at the Omaha, Kansas City and Chicago Stock yards, where he died 10-18-1928. He married 1872 Mary M. Gross who died 5-1-1936. They had 8 children: EVA married Mr. Reed; John, Harry m. Mrs. P. O. Nelson, NELLIE, married Darby, lived in

Council Bluffs many years and had a daughter; Eva, J. Bruce, Frank F. and Lawe who died before his father.

WILLIAM born 5-2-1885 in Ohio, came to Silver City, lived at Wayne and Omaha, Nebraska; where he was a member of Frazier and Johnson Live Stock Commission Firm for many years. He married 4-19-1882 Hester McNay. They had 5 children: 1 died young, William, Ruby, Mrs. Lem Overpeck and Mrs. Beula O'Harn. He died 3-26-1941. Mrs. Frazier is still living in Omaha.

CHARLES was born 1869 in Mills County. He farmed for a number of years, then moved into Silver City where he was in the mercantile work for many years until health prevented his continuance. He married Ethel Derby a member of another pioneer family. They had 3 children: Virgil, Kenneth and Naomi.

VIRGIL graduated from S. C. H. S. married Eleanor Galt, they had 1 son Keith. He now lives in Omaha.

NAOMI graduated from S. C. H. S. received higher education at a religious school in Omaha. She married Rev. Ronland Norman of the same school. They are now living in West Virginia and have 1 child; since Mr. Frazier's death Mrs. Frazier has been living in their home.

HAINES

STEPHEN DOUGLAS was born in Illinois 7-9-1857. He was a pioneer in Mills Co. and married on 3-29-1882 Ida Jane Chipps from the East Liberty Community. He farmed for a number of years and also owned and operated several threshing machines. The first of these was the early type of horse power machines and he owned one of the first steam powered machines. Mr. Haines was in business in Silver City several times, the last being from 1918 to 1935 when he was the genial pump and well man. He died January 1942 and Mrs. Haines died Oct. 1950. They raised 11 children: Glen, who married Pearl Young and later Louise Willis and has 3 daughters: Flossie married Elgie Brookens and has 2 sons and 1 daughter; Harry married Sadie Houger, has 8 sons and 3 daughters; Pearl married Bert Fritz and has 2 sons and 2 daughters. They live in Silver City and Mr. Fritz carries the mail from the trains to the post office. Mary married Charles Conger and has 3 daughters and 2 sons. Charley farmed south of Silver City and later in Nebraska. Since his death Mrs. Conger has maintained a home in Silver City; Fae married Harvey Dietchler and has 2 sons. She has been the Postmaster since 1934, and Harvey has been in pump and windmill business but is now farming; Steve married Adah Houger and has 1 daughter and 2 sons; Sarah married Floyd Houger and had 5 daughters and 4 sons. She died in 1938; Dale married Lattie Weaks; Opal married Ralph Pennell and has 1 son who is deceased; Helen married 1st Jasper Danford and 2nd Don Palmer and has 1 daughter. By Fae Deitchler.

HOWSER

GEORGE H. was born and married in Ohio. He married 8-25-1861 Elizabeth Niswanger. They moved to Pottawattamie County in 1869. After his death the family moved into Silver City in 1886 where Mrs. Howser and her sons owned and operated the Tremont House. Later these sons went to Utah where they established themselves. Mrs. Howser died 3-11-1900 at her home here where her daughters Mrs. Heath and Mrs. Susie McDermott cared for her. Mrs. Howser was a member of the Methodist Church. Of her children who remained in Silver City: MRS. SUSIE McDERMOTT later married William Pullman and her children are listed in her husbands life sketch.

FRANCIS MARION was born in Logan County Illinois, 12-11-1867. He was only 2 years old when his parents came to Mills County. Frank was a painter and decorator and was well known and well liked by all. His jovial disposition made his affliction seem much less. And all marvelled at the way he could climb a ladder and paint from a high station. He married 9-8-1891 Lena Clayton. They had 6 children: George Alfred died young, Mabel married a Scott, Leona and Iva both married Moores; and Clayton and Lloyd. Mr. Howser died 10-15-1919 and she died 11-28-1933; HARRISON H. was born in Lincoln Illinois 3-24-1872 and came as a small boy to Mills County with his parents where they farmed for a number of years. He worked for the Wabash as a section hand and later for many years at the C. H. Kruse elevator. He was a member of the I. O. O. F. and was well and favorably known as Hal Howser. He married 2-3-1898 Katie D. Moore. They had 2 daughters: Adah now Mrs. C. Cross of De Kalbe, Illinois and Lola now Mrs. Raymond Kruse of Glenwood. He died 12-16-1933. Mrs. Howser is living in Silver City and is active in Church, lodge and social groups.

LITTLE

IRVING S. born 8-29-1862, Marsh's Corner, Michigan; was a Burlington Railroad conductor for 17 years and a hardware dealer in Silver City. He married 9-28-1898 Ora Spencer. They had 2 sons: SPENCER who died in Wisconsin a few years ago and BLAIR, living in Illinois. He died 3-14-1930 after many years of illness and she died 12-24-1952. Mr. Little was a member of Masonic Lodge.

GOOS

ADOLPH FREDERICK, born 5-4-1838 Stubb, near Eckernfoerde, Schleswig Holstein, Germany. He joined the Danish regiment and served 4 years. In 1868 he emigrated to Davenport, Ia. and later removed to Silver City. He married 6-27-1871 Lena Greebe, they had 3 children: 2 died young and Agnes married John Trede. She died 1875 and he married 5-14-1878 Laura Holst. They had 8 children: five died young, Carl, Katie E. and Grover. He was a member of I.O.O.F. and Encampment and was a successful farmer. He died 11-16-1911 and she died 8-9-1919.

CARL, farms and lives at Silver City.

KATIE E. graduated from S.C.H.S., attended Cornell College, taught for several yrs. and married Gail Moore. They have a son, Robert all are living Los Angeles, Calif.

GROVER L., born 11-4-1892 graduated from S.C.H.S. and Omaha Business College; was overseas in World War I. He married 2-12-1920 Grace Kehoe, a member of another pioneer family. They had 3 children: a son died young, Marvin and Catherine. He is a successful farmer, member of the Masonic and Scottish Rite Lodges, and American Legion and Methodist Church.

MARVIN, born 4-23-1922 graduated from S.C.H.S. served in World War II as 2nd Lieut. in Air Force, a graduate of Cadet Fighter Pilot School. He married 6-5-1943 Geraldine Rommel. They have 2 children: Neil and James. He is a successful farmer, member of Methodist Church, Masonic and Eastern Star Lodges and the American Legion.

CATHERINE, graduated from S.C.H.S. and is member of her parents household.

NICHOLAS, born 9-26-1833 Eckernfoede, Schleswig Holstein, Germany. He came to America and Mills Co. in 1872 and married 1-10-1874 Johanna Greene. He was a successful and respected farmer and one of the oldest members of the German Lutheran Church at Mineola at time of his death 1-23-1914. Mrs. Goos died 2-16-1923. They had 6 children: Louis & Fred died young, Tilly is now Mrs. Fahrenkrog, Emma now Mrs. Olderog, Amelia married Louie Schoening and Emil married Mary Bruning.

EMIL, married Mary Bruning, a farmer for a number of years died several years ago. They had 2 children: Donald and Vinson. Mrs. Goos is still living on the farm and is active in community affairs.

DONALD, born 5-29-1906, graduated from S.C.H.S. and married 6-3-1944 Jean Burgoin. He is a successful farmer and a prominent member of the Farm Bureau. They have 3 children: Lynn Arthur, Carol Jean and Margaret Anne.

VINSON, born 8-5-1911, graduated from S.C.H.S., married Dora Burgoin. He was a successful farmer for several years.

DOVENSPIKE

John Dovenspike was born 10-26-1882 near Barnard, Mo. Son of David and Ruth Dovenspike. He learned telegraphy under B. W. Thompson at Bedison, Mo. and started working for the Wabash R.R. in 1902. A few years later he taught Telegraphy for a short time at a Business College in Maryville, Mo., but returned to the Wabash where he continued working until 1950.

He came to Silver City 1917 where he became active in community life, serving on the School Board for 21 years, and the City Council for 22 years; also being a Past Master of the Masons and a Past Patron of the Eastern Star.

He married in 1903 Grace Kidd. They have 2 children: ELDON, graduated from S.C.H.S. and is now Mrs. George Burgoin of Silver City, who has 2 children: Jack and Patty, and Wauneta, graduated from S.C.H.S. and is now Mrs. Roy Gater. She has 2 daughters: Frances, now Mrs. Brannen, and Kathryn Gater.



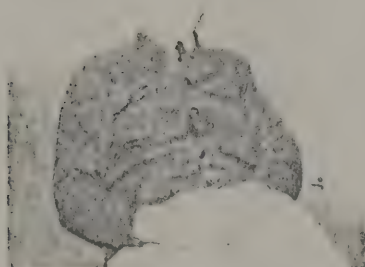
JOHN DOVENSPIKE



CARL H. SCHROEDER, age 89
oldest man living in Silver City



MRS. SOPHIA (Pullman) MOSELY
age 92, oldest woman living in
Silver City.



RENO MOORE, first white child
born in Silver City, 1879, still
living here and in Carpenter
business.



GEORGE A. WALTRIP

both past 80 yrs. old



HARRY W. ANDERSON

THE two oldest retired business men in Silver City

PYSING

MATHIAS MUELLER, born 12-10-1851 Grand Duchy of Luxenburg, Holland, son of Joseph and Margereth (MueLLer) Pysing, came to America 1867 settling at Dubuque, later went to Council Bluffs; came to Glenwood 1871 and Silver City in 1879. Was a prominent businessman and leader in community during its early years, serving as an early mayor and was a member of the Masonic Lodge. He helped to form the Universal Church group here also and was a much respected and honored citizen at time of his death 7-29-1898. He married 9-22-1887 Emily Brooks. They had no children.

ROOK

ISSAC NEWTON, born 1-3-1837 Gilford County North Carolina. He went to Hancock County Illinois where he married 1860 Mary Trimble, they had 1 daughter Mrs. Daniel Cramer who lived at Sarcxie, Missouri. He later went to Clark County Iowa where he married 9-1-1881 Sarah Motheral. They came to Ingraham Township 1882 where they farmed later moving into Silver City where he died 3-23-1909. They were of the Church of Christ (Mormon) faith. They had 6 children: ANNA married James McElroy and lived at Denton, Nebraska. ELIAS, CHARLES now living in Treynor and is a well and pump man and has 1 daughter, JOHN lived in Nebraska; EMMA, a graduate nurse; and MARY married Clark Reeve and had 1 son. Mrs. Rook died April 1941.

RAINS

ALLEN TAYLOR, born 4-29-1849 Cedar County Missouri. He came with parents to Mills County 1850 living there until 1876 when he moved across the line into Pottawattamie County where he owned and operated a 390 acre farm for many years. He married 1-13-1876 Joanna Wolfe. They had 7 children: William, Vona, Edd, Alta, Roy, Claude and Cecyl. WILLIAM died when a young man and CECYL died a few years after her marriage. ROY, has lived in Canada for many years, now being at Wamar. ALTA is Mrs. Guy Pettit and is now living at Fort Morgan, Colorado. Mr. Rains was among the very oldest residents of Mills County at the time of his death, having lived most of his 68 years in Mills County or across the line in Pottawattamie Co. At the outbreak of the Civil War he was too young to enter the regular service, but was permitted to go as a drummer boy. To show that he still knew how to use the drums, he demonstrated many times during the Spanish-American War and at several of the Old Soldiers Reunions. Then, also, just shortly before his death which occurred 11-16-1917, while in California he helped muster the forces for World War I with fife and drum corps there.

ALEXANDER

LAYFETTE CHARLES, born 11-15-1850 Warren County, Iowa came to Mills County 1878 and married 2-11-1883 Mary Etta Howard, a member of a pioneer family. He was a farmer in East Liberty Community for many years. After retiring he came to Silver City where he died 1-16-1931 she died 7-21-1932. He was a member of the Methodist Church. They had 10 children; HARRY married Ada Parker; HOWARD, FRED married Valda Henderson and had 2 children. He died a few years ago. Olive married June Wise and had one son. Ona is Mrs. Hurst, and Ora is Mrs. Clay; Fay married Dale McClure and lives at Malver; and Fern married George Rew Jr. and lives at Glenwood, they have 3 daughters; Kathleen is now Mrs. Leet and lives in Omaha, and a brother of Layfette Alexander was SAMUEL C., born 6-11-1858 Warren County Iowa. Their parents were Elijah and Elizabeth Alexander. He married 2-15-1883 Louisa Jane Miller, a sister of Mrs. George Rew, and died 5-1-1894. They had 5 children: 1 died young, PEARL died at age of 23, MAY now Mrs. Verne Badham of Omaha, GEORGE and Elmer, died age of 39, had 2 children: ROBERT and Arlene Ann buried at Treynor.

BATES

ROBERT A. born 12-14-1869 Marion, Illinois, was editor of Pacific Junction, Iowa Times and of Silver City Times from May 6-1897 to April 26-1902 when he sold the paper to Mr. Ford of Woodbine. He went to Plattsmouth, Nebraska where he published the Plattsmouth Journal until his death 6-15-1934. Mrs. Bates is still living at Plattsmouth.

MAINS

WEBSTER, born 8-27-1845 Cass County, Illinois. He married 1-11-1868, Martha C. Shaw. They came by covered wagon to Ingraham Township and settled on a homestead about 1 1/2 miles south of the present site of Silver City. There was only 1 house between them and Glenwood and 2 houses between them and Council Bluffs and the E. F. Landon homestead about 1 mile south of them. Mrs. Mains often told about looking out of the cabin window one day and seeing "Web" go running past with an Indian in pursuit. She was sure she would soon see "Web's" scalp hanging from the Indians belt, but later learned that the Indian had begged a chicken from Web and they were trying to run the rooster down. In 1883 Mr. and Mrs. Mains moved into Silver City where he was a stock and grain dealer from 1884 to 1908 at which time ill health forced him to retire. C. G. Greenwood, A. P. Reeve and C. H. Kruse were partners of his at different times during his business career. C. H. Kruse being the last and the one who brought him out upon his retirement. In 1915 they moved to Jacksonville, Illinois to be near relatives because of his illness as Mr. and Mrs. Mains had no children. He died at Jacksonville -1-21-1920 and she died 1-31-1926 at Keokuk, Iowa. Both are buried in Walnut Ridge Cemetery, Virginia, Illinois. Mr. Mains was a charter member of Masonic and I.O.O.F. Lodges in Silver City and both were members of Silver City Baptist Church and prominent in the growth and development of the community.

MAURATH

JOSEPH JOHN born 2-10-1857 at Boden-Boden, Germany. He came with his parents to Muscatine, Iowa, went to Council Bluffs in 1873 where he was in shoe business until 1897. He married while in Council Bluffs and his wife and small daughter died there before he came to Silver City. He was engaged in business in Silver City with the F. J. Duen Co. for several years, about 1899 he bought the Duen Co. general store, married Jennie Chesebrough and was in business here until his death 6-7-1916. He was well and favorably known as the owner and operator of the "Yellow Front" general store.

DERBY

ORASTUS b. 4-19-1836 Genesee Co. N. Y. He went first to Crawford Co. Penn. and later came to Mills Co. 1877 and moved into Silver City 1891. He was a farmer and a member of the Methodist Church. He m. 10-13-1864 Abbie Kleckner. They had 9 ch; 4 were living at time of his death, Edgar, Roy, Ethel, Carrie Lulu. He d. 2-9-1906 and Mrs. d. 10-4-1906. EDGAR M. b. 11-20-1865 Crawford Co. Pa. was a farmer near Silver City for several yrs. and moved into Silver City where he was a harness maker for several yrs. He also was a truck farmer. He m. 8-19-1890 Florence Hornby. They had 6 ch; Almena, Walter, Elvira, Floyd, Edgar and Georgia. ALMENA d. in childhood. WALTER AND FLOYD are farming near Red Oak. ELVIRA m. Sherman Archer. He was a farmer near Red Oak for many yrs. is now retired and lives in Red Oak. They have several ch; EDGAR is m. and lives at Moberly Mo. where he has been an employee of the Wabash for many yrs. GEORGIA graduated from Silver City High School and a Methodist Deaconess School at Des Moines. She did her Deaconess work in Detroit for many yrs. and is now Mrs. Jones and is still living in Detroit. ROY farmed in Nebr. for many yrs. came back to Silver City in later yrs. and d. here a few yrs. ago. He m. Belle Solsby. They had ch; ETHEL m. Charles Frazier and lived in or near Silver City until her husband's death. She then lived in Omaha and now is living in W. Va. with dau. Naomi. Her ch. are listed with her husband in his life sketch. CARRIE LULU m. 4-22-1890 Bruce Cobun and d. 1909. They have 2 ch; Bernice d. young and Verla now Mrs. Huffman of S. Dak. BRUCE COBUN was b. 2-22-1867 Clarksburg W. Va. He came to Silver City 1891, where he was a carpenter and a cabinet maker, being especially fine as a fine interior finisher. After Mrs. Cobun's death he went to Spokane Wash. for several yrs. finally going to Washington Springs S. Dak. where he d. at home of his dau. 12-1-1935. He was a kind, good and highly respected man.

SANDERS

ED SANDERS, born 1-2-1896 in Valley County Nebraska; married 2-13-1928 Helen Stortenbecker, owns the Cafe has 2 children: Marylouise now Mrs. Brewer and Edward.

FORMER BUSINESS MEN



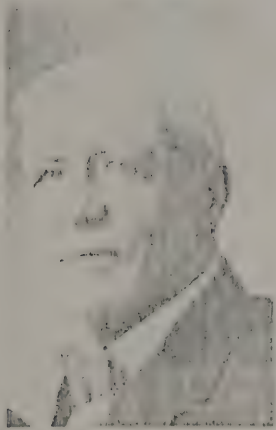
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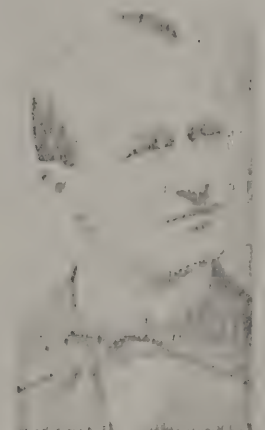
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WEBSTER MAINS



DAVIS GREENWOOD



E.A. STEVENS



JAMES BURGOIN



T.A. DAVIS

COINER

GEORGE A. COINER was born in Ohio on Sept. 15-1841 and was the fifth child of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Coiner. They afterwards moved to Illinois where the father and mother both died of typhoid fever within a week, when George was only ten years old. After his service in the Civil War Mr. Coiner came to Winterset, Iowa and was married in 1883 to Elizabeth Bevercombe of Orient, Iowa, where they lived for 3 years. They then went to Kansas for a few years but soon came back to Iowa and settled on the farm east of Silver City where they were to make their home for many years.

On their journey back to Iowa from Kansas they stopped at the John Flanagan home at Ellsworth to ask directions. About two weeks later John Flanagan came back to Mills County to settle on the Flanagan homestead. Not long after this return, both Mr. Flanagan and Mr. Coiner were much surprised to meet and to recognize each other from their very brief encounter in Kansas and to learn that they were living in the same community.

Mr. Coiner became ill at his home in July of 1916 and passed away three weeks later on August 9-1916. Mrs. Coiner and daughter Gladys went to Los Angeles to make their home and she died there January 4-1938. Mr. and Mrs. Coiner raised 6 children:

Allie Mabel, Charles, Kathryn Maude, Arch T. Walter A. and Gladys Ruth.

Alice Mabel married Marshall Humston of Silver City in 1905 and they made their home east of Silver City on the Humston homestead for many years. They later moved into Silver City where Marshall was taken very ill in June 1951 and was rushed to a Council Bluffs hospital where he passed away the next day.

Charles W. Coiner was educated at the Prairie Creek Country School, and Simpson College at Indianola. He farmed for a short time with his father and then became interested in the west. He settled near Twin Falls, Idaho where he has been a successful farmer and sheep raiser for many years. He married in 1909 Sarah Olds of Portland, Oregon. They are the parents of twin sons, Charles and Henry born in 1913 and a daughter Gladys Ruth born in 1915. He moved his family into Twin Falls a few years ago; and in 1950 he was elected Representative from Twin Falls County to the Idaho legislature. They have lived for the most part in Boise since that time.

Kathryn Maude married Carl Wilson of Henderson in 1911. They lived on a farm near Henderson for several years, but they have been living in Malvern for a number of years where they are the owners and operators of the Wilson Hatchery. About a year ago they made a tour of Europe. They have 2 daughters: Allie Bernice born in 1912 and Phyllis Loretta born in 1918.

Arch T. was educated at Prairie Creek and later at Ames. He farmed the homestead for a number of years. But finally decided to join his brothers in Idaho, where he has been a successful farmer for about 25 years. He married Zylpha Erskine of Prairie City, Iowa in 1918. She was a teacher in the Silver City High School and was active in club and lodge work during their residence in this community. They have a son, Robert born in 1922.

Walter A. also attended the Prairie Creek School and Ames. He farmed with Arch for a while but soon decided to join his brother Charley in Idaho. He was successful in farming also in Idaho where he settled near Hansen. He married in 1926, Marrietta Detweiler of Twin Falls. He died in May 1952 following a tractor accident on his farm. They had 2 children, a daughter Nettie and a son, George.



HON. CHARLES W. COINER

Gladys Ruth attended the country school, S. C. H. S. and graduated from Abraham Lincoln High School in Council Bluffs. She received higher education in California and later a Master's Degree and was an English teacher there for a number of years. She married in 1936 George Werner and they live in Los Angeles.

E. A. STEVENS

E. A. STEVENS was born in Iowa and grew up at Oakland and in Harrison County. He came to Silver City in 1902 with Mr. Ford when he bought the Silver City Times. In a few months Steve bought the Times from Mr. Ford. He was very popular and a prominent man in Lodge, social, and community affairs. Shortly after Steve purchased the Times he and Dr. McCue established bachelor quarters on the second floor of the Times building; where the doctor also had his office. And thus began one of the finest friendships any two men ever enjoyed.

Steve married Meda Hettinger, the daughter of Lewis and Alvena Hettinger; and, the McCues and Stevens were next door neighbors for a number of years.

In December 1916 Steve and C. W. Bays exchanged papers. Steve going to Woodbine where he edited the Twiner for many years. They continued to live in Woodbine until the fall of 1953 when they moved to Washington D.C. to be near their daughter Grace and her lovely family consisting of her husband and 4 sons and 1 daughter.

JUDSON

ALBERT B., born 5-23-1856 at Vicksburg, Michigan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert B. Judson Sr., He came to Silver City 1880 and married 1-9-1882 Ida Mandigo also a native of Vicksburg, Michigan. He was a successful farmer, stockman, and merchant at Balfour, Iowa. He was a member of Silver Grange and was Master of Iowa State Grange for 25 years; he was also a prominent member of Mills County Farm Bureau and a substantial supporter of the Methodist Church of which Mrs. Judson was a member. Mrs. Judson died 5-20-1919 and he died 1-17-1941. They had 1 daughter who died young and two foster daughters: Ida Schawler, married John Reed Graves and Cleva Graham married Claude Brooks.

Ida Graves, lived on a farm near Balfour for many years. Mr. Graves died a few years ago and she is now living in Glenwood. They had one son: Kenneth, who married Mildred Moses. They have one daughter, Joan. He has been successfully farming for a number of years.

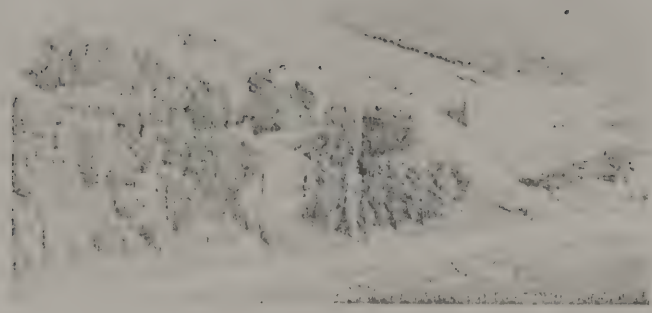
Cleva Brooks, lived on the Brooks homestead for many years. After the death of her husband, Claud Brooks, she moved to Glenwood. They had one daughter; Irene, who married Faye McManigal, a prominent farmer near Glenwood. They have two sons: Judson and Charles.

CONGER

DANIEL LAMPSON born 9-27-1833 at Knox County Ohio. He became a carpenter at age of 14 he went to Chicago and came to Mills County 1857. He was an early carpenter in Glenwood where he built many of the older business houses; and also did much of the work on the East Liberty Church. He was a successful farmer in later years. He married 12-25-1868 Caroline Wilkerson. They were members of the Universal Church. He died 3-17-1919 and she died 2-7-1925. They had 4 children: MARY died young, AMY was educated at Tabor and Lincoln and was a teacher in the Galesburg, Illinois Public Schools for many years and died a few years ago.

CHARLES married Mary Haines and farmed near Silver City for many years. He died a few years ago. They had several children: Joe, died a few years ago, Nancy, Betty, Robert and Eleanor.

LENARD, graduated from S. C. H. S. and received higher education at Tabor and Harvard where he received a Doctor's degree. He was head of the history department of Knox College at Galesburg, Illinois for many years, he retired a few years ago. He married ADA GREENWOOD also a graduate of S. C. H. S. and Tabor College. She was a talented musician and later became an authority on antiques and operated an antique shop successfully for many years in Galesburg. She died a few years ago. They had several children.



SKERRITT HOMESTEAD SKERRITT

The pioneers of early days have been most influential in the building of a strong state and nation, and each community in our country can boast of many. Among these were Samson and Lettie Hallam Howard who with four small children migrated from Michigan in 1871 by covered wagon and settled four miles south east of Silver City. Both Mr. and Mrs. Howard were born in England and came to this country at an early age.

Another family, Robert Plumb and Jane Parker Skerritt Plumb with son John T. Skerritt, came by covered wagon and boat from Ohio in 1865 and settled four miles east of Silver City. Both were of English birth. Mr. Plumb had served his country during the Civil War. John T. Skerritt's father, Abraham Skerritt, died and was buried at the Wyandotte Mission Cemetery, Upper Sandusky, Ohio.

Of these sturdy and persevering pioneers came John T. Skerritt and Ella Jane Howard who were married March 1, 1887 and started housekeeping between the parental homes on the farm Mr. Skerritt had purchased from John Bee. Here they built their new house and necessary buildings and progressed with the trend of the times in farming practices and raising of live stock. At the passing of his mother, Mr. Skerritt inherited her 80 acre farmstead. It is still a family possession and operated by a cousin, Tom Parker, who for a number of years made his home with the Skerritts.

Mr. and Mrs. Skerritt reared a family of seven children, Elsie, Ralph, Edith, Ethel, Fern, Glenn, and Gayle. Each attended the Osborne Valley rural school, as did their mother. Since the parental schooling was limited, they were vitally interested in higher education for the family. Through much sacrifice, they made it possible for each to attend high school in Malvern or Silver City and from thence to attend various colleges.

The Skerritts were deeply interested in the improvement of community life and farm work. Their influence and efforts have left an impression. Their support of the Methodist Church in finances, time, and effort was of great value. The creeds and principles of the Church were the center of the home life for this family.

The daughter Edith taught school after attending Nebraska Wesleyan University, and married Alfred H. Elder, a watchmaker and jeweler of Hebron, Nebraska, May 31, 1916. They made their home in Hebron then later moved to Geneva, Nebraska and operated a jewelry and music store. Mr. Elder died September 24, 1942. Edith still operates the store, and her business associations and church work are important to her well filled life. One daughter, Carolyn, died in infancy.

After attending Shenandoah Normal School, Elsie taught school and later operated a sewing shop in Glenwood and Red Oak. She married Earl J. Heilman, a Red Oak businessman, September 10, 1919. Their son Kenneth graduated from Red Oak High School and Ames, specializing in chemistry. He served two years in the U. S. Navy and is now employed as a chemical engineer by Du Pont at Parlim, New Jersey. He is married and lives at Florham Park, New Jersey.

Ralph farmed with his father and married Mary Whitesides of the pioneer families of Ranne and Whitesides from the East Liberty Community March 3, 1920.

They made their home a quarter of a mile south of the Skerritt home and continued their farm activities there. Both hold offices in the Methodist Church, are active in Farm Bureau and Masonic and Eastern Star Lodges. They have one daughter, Catherine Jane, who attended Osborn Valley School, Silver City High School, and Nebraska Wesleyan University. On February 11, 1951, she was married to Ward Hunt and lives north west of Silver City. They have one son Rodney.

Fern taught school after three years of college and on February 17, 1926 married Rew Burgoin, son of James and Elizabeth Burgoin. They established a home north east of Silver City on the farm formerly known as the George Rew Ranch and continue in the farming and purebred livestock business. Their interests center about the Methodist Church, public school, and farm activities. The daughter, Margarite, born June 1, 1937 is a Junior in Silver City High School. Mr. Burgoin is president of the Silver City State Bank, and Mrs. Burgoin is President of the Cemetery Association.

Glenn received his education at Nebraska Wesleyan and Ames and farmed with his father a few years. On June 16, 1926 he was married to Phyllis Burgoin, daughter of James and Elizabeth Burgoin. At that time, Mr. and Mrs. Skerritt retired into Silver City. Glenn and Phyllis took over farm operations and continued in the same manner as the elder Mr. and Mrs. Skerritts until Glenn's death January 4, 1946. A son Roger died in infancy in 1927. Harold Leon, born in 1930, also attended Osborn Valley School and graduated from Silver City High School, later attending Ames. He served two years as a paratrooper in the Army, and returned to continue the farm operations started 70 years ago by his paternal grandfather.

Ethel received a B.A. degree and taught school in Iowa and Nebraska a number of years. She married Howard Hall, an accountant of Bladen, Nebraska, June 12, 1928. Their daughter, Nancy Alice, graduated from Geneva, Nebraska High School, and is now attending Nebraska State University, majoring in Foods and Nutrition. Ethel is in Geneva and is a successful Latin and English teacher as well as a prominent Sunday School and youth counselor in the Methodist Church.

Gayle graduated from Nebraska Wesleyan University and Ames, then migrated to the East to work for Standard Oil of New Jersey. He is now associated with Esso Petroleum Products Export Division with offices in New York City. He married Helen Harris March 1, 1935 and lives in Summitt, New Jersey. There are four children: Diane 18, Michael 16, Linda 12, and Gloria 9.

Mr. Skerritt passed away July 1949 at the age of 92 years, and Mrs. Skerritt died in October, 1953 at the age of 87 years. Both are buried on the family lot in the Silver City Cemetery beside their son, Glenn.

By Fern Burgoin (Mrs. Reu)

GALT



R.P. GALT

RUBEN P, b. 3-17-1880, in Fremont Co. Ia, was educated at Shenandoah, was cashier in Colorado Bank before coming to Silver City 1917 as cashier of Farmers State Bank. He continued in this capacity until 1935 when the Farmers State and Silver City State Banks consolidated under the name of Silver City State Bank. He then became cashier of this Bank and served in that capacity until 1953 when he retired. He is an Income Tax Expert, and Insurance Representative; he is a former councilman, Mayor and school board President, a kindly, trusted and very respected man, a devout worker in the Methodist Church, a member of Mason and Eastern Star Lodges. He m. 5-4-1904 Blanche Weston. They have 2 ch. Eleanor and Harold.

ELEANOR, graduated from Silver City High School and Wesleyan, m. Virgil Frazier, they had 1 s. Keith who is living in Omaha now. She later m. Donald Schultz and has 2 s. Duane and Randy. HAROLD, graduated from Silver City High School and Maryville College and Boyles Business School. He m. Clara Lyons, has 2 ch. Sally Sue and Billy. They live in Florida.

DURICK

JOHN was an early settler in Silver City community. He lived on a farm north of town for a time, later moved into town where he operated a restaurant and the Hotel Maine for a time. He married Rosa Hunsinger; they had several children. He later moved his family to Council Bluffs where he was very successful in the operation of a neighborhood grocery store. His family all reside there with their families today.



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M.E. HUFFAKER

HUFFAKER

MILES ETNIER, b. 7-19-1851, West Lebon, Warren Co. Ind. son of Rev. Miles and Harriet (Townsend) Huffaker. After his father's death he lived with his mother at her old home in Versailles, Ind. later going to live with an older married sister. When he was 16 he went to Bureau Co. Ill. to live with his Uncle Israel Huffaker. His brother Lewis W. had already been living in this uncle's home for several years. He came to Ingraham Twp. 1869 where he m. 3-16-1871 Sarah Alice Hunt. He was living on the present site of Silver City when his cousin, H. H. Huffaker brought his bride here in 1872. The two families shared a large log cabin, which was divided into two separate living quarters. This log cabin stood on ground later to become north main street at about the present location of the Jones Garage. His brother, Lewis W. Huffaker lived across Silver Creek in a log cabin near the Allison School house, Mr. Huffaker was one of Silver City's first residents, and being a contractor, he built many of the first business build-

ings and homes here and in Ingraham township. He was a member of the Rigdonite Branch of the Church of Christ (Mormon) and one of oldest members of I.O.O.F. and Wayside Encampment. He served as Mayor of Silver City from 1890 to 1905 and again from 1909 to the time of his death, 10-24-1912. Mrs. Huffaker died 8-20-1934. They had 5 ch: Herbert, Orvil, Lydia Olive, Margaret Emma and Carlisle Etnier, Orvil d. in infancy. HERBERT HARLAN b. 3-24-1872, Ingraham Twp. and m. 10-7-1893, Jennie Belle Virtue. He was an early merchant and salesman in Silver City and Council Bluffs. He also was a member of the Church of Christ. He died 1947 and Mrs. Huffaker died 1946. Both are buried at Silver City. They had 4 ch: IRVIN, was in World War I, lived in Council Bluffs where he died 1947 and is buried Silver City. His wife Mabel, is living in Council Bluffs and is active in Club work there.

VELMA is married and lives Council Bluffs and has several ch., there is another son and a daughter who married James. Her son, Herbert James is District Supervisor of the Omar Bakery Route Men; lives in Omaha, is married and has 1 son.

LYDIA OLIVE m. Jacob Heide. They lived Silver City and Oakland, where he was a contractor. They had 6 ch: Irene, Erna, Verva, Miles, Marguerite Magdaline and Jack Carlisle. They later moved to Chicago where they both died. IRENE graduated from S.C.H.S. and Drake Uni., taught for several years; m. John H. Noffsinger and lives at Chula Vista, Calif.; ERNA graduated from Oakland High School, m. Donald E. Fannehill, lives in Chicago and has 2 ch: Lorraine and Deane; VERVA graduated from Oakland H.S., was a Reg. Nurse, m. Thomas Kenny, lived Sacramento, Calif. where she d. a few years ago. She had 5 ch: Thomas, Keith, Rosemary, Denis and Margaret Mary; MILES m. Florence Howser and lives Chicago; MARGUERITE m. Walter Stahl, lives in Chicago and has 1 son Ronald; JACK m. Frances Conger, lives in Chicago and has 1 daughter Faith Ellen.

MARGARET EMMA, graduated from S.C.H.S., taught the primary room in Silver City for several years, m. Albert Moore. They live in Winnipeg, Canada where Mr. Moore has been in the lumber business for many years. They have 2 ch: ALBERT KEITH m. Myra Jackson, has 2 ch: Judith and Sylvia. He is Supt. of Open Hearth Steel Co. of Canada at Hamilton, Ont., and VIRGINIA m. John Jackson, lives in Toronto, Canada and has 3 ch: Peter and Paul, twins and Margaret. CARLISLE ETNIER b. 7-6-1890, Silver City, graduated from S.C.H.S., was associated with the Silver City Times; edited the Henderson, Blanchard and Randolph papers. He died at Randolph 2-29-1920. He m. 4-11-1917, Grace Donner of Blanchard. They had 1 son, GAMBLE ETNIER, a mechanical engineer living at Red Oak. He m. Rose Huston and has 3 ch: David Etnier, John Huston and a daughter. Carl published a short History of Silver City in 1905, which has been a great help to this committee. Mrs. Huffaker is now living at Blanchard.

HENDRIX

HARLAN, farmed in eastern part of Mills Co. and Pott. Co. for a number of years. Mr. Hendrix was a carpenter and cabinet maker, moving to Silver City where he followed this occupation for many years. Later moving to Carson where he continues in this work. While living in Silver City he built a beautiful home for his family. Mrs. Hendrix (Christa) was postmaster in Silver City for 14 years and is now teaching a rural school near Pacific Junction. They have 4 sons; Harlan m. Jeanette Stranathan, lives in Council Bluffs and has several ch; Shirley and Sheldon twins, Shirley m. Harriet Pullman and operates the Standard Oil Station in Silver City; Sheldon m. Marie Jones and is living in Denison, has a clothing store; Regniald graduated from Silver City High School, served in World War II and is working with his father at Carson.

PICKENPAUGH

GEORGE WASHINGTON, lived and married in Kansas, moved his family to Silver City many years ago. Several of them went to Nebr. where they established their homes and families still live. GEORGE HARRISON b. 3-6-1889, Alton, Kansas. He came to Silver City with his parents, m. 12-29-1908 Carrie Hunt. He was a farmer and business man dying in Silver City, 4-6-1933. They had 7 ch; LLOYD m. and living in Calif. WAYNE, m. Patty Hopkinson, lives in Silver City where he operates a large Caterpillar. They have 1 son Harold; MARVEL m. Albert Wilkins has several ch. and lives in Omaha. Albert d. several years ago and she has remarried: JOY m. Victor Hopkinson lives in Pacific Junction and has several ch; FERN is married and lives in Calif. GEORGE and ALBERT are married and live in Omaha, Mrs. George Piatt and Mrs. Carrie McClure are daughters of George W and Julia Ann Pickenpaugh and live in Silver City. Another dau Erie m. Frank Moore and lives at Bassett, Nebr. Frank died a few years ago.

HOPKINSON

JOHNATHAN b. 8-11-1843 Warren Co. Ohio. He came to eastern Iowa with his parents, served in the Civil War and came to Mills Co. in 1873. He was a carpenter, blacksmith and wagon maker. He married 1872 Frances Smith they had 1 child, Mary who married and went to Mapleton, Iowa to make her home. On 3-26-1884 he m. Margaret A. Bell. They had 2 ch; Iva, d. young; and Otis. Mr. Hopkinson d. 12-15-1912 and Mrs. Hopkinson d. 3-21-1933. OTIS, was a barber in Silver City for a number of years. Later moving his family to Pacific Junction where he is engaged in the same occupation. His dau, PATTY is Mrs. Wayne Pickenpaugh of Silver City.

SCHROEDER

CHRISTIAN HENRY b. 1832 in Meckelburg, Germany; came to Ingraham Township 1884 and settled on a farm 2 miles south of Silver City. He married in Illinois, Mary Ellen Rounds, a sister of Steve Rounds. Mr. Schroeder was enterprising and thrifty, providing a good home for his family. Mrs. Schroeder d. 1895. The daughters kept house for the father and family, until the last had gone to a home of her own. Mr. Schroeder then married 11-10-1904 Mrs. Tina Dye, a sister of Mrs. E. F. Landon. He d. 3-29-1911 following a long illness. There were 10 ch: 3 d. young, ANNIE, m. Robert McClure; MARTHA JANE m. Thompson McClure; ELIZABETH m. Frank Howard; FLORENCE m. George Howard; FANNIE m. Fred Meeks; MINNIE m. Homer Clipson; and JOHN, farmed with his father and after the father's death operated the home farm for many years. He married Grace Teatsworth. They later retired, moving to Silver City where he d. 2-13-1932.

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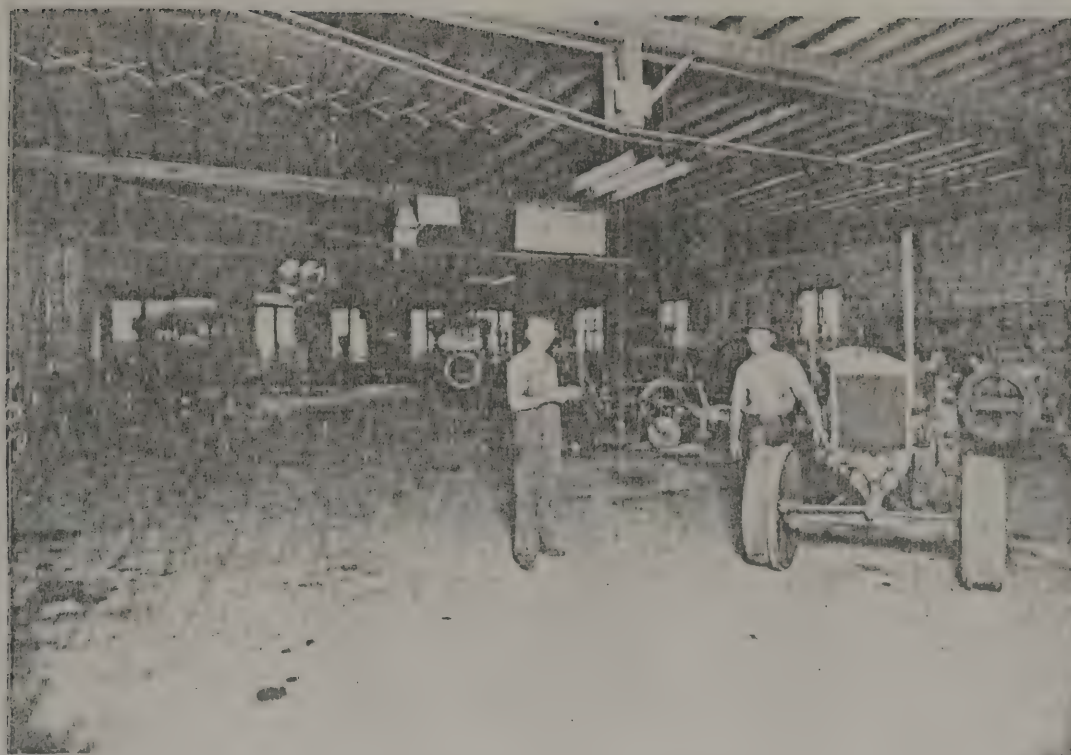
HANS F. Scheel was born in Keg Creek Township 1884. He married Dora Bendt Oct. 18, 1906. Mr. Scheel resided on a farm northeast of Silver City forty-one years. Upon retirement he moved to Silver City. He has served as township trustee, school board member, Lutheran Council member and town council member. They have 5 children: Joe married Helen Schoening, Roy married Lillie Miller, Harold married Arlene Miller, Mabel (deceased) married Albert Schoening, Allen married Ross Pontow.

BOYER

LORAN b. 1908 at Glenwood, Ia. m. Cora Filbert, came to Silver City 1938. Mr. Boyer is the president of the school board, member of the Masonic and Eastern Stars. Mrs. Boyer is the Sec. of the Eastern Stars. They have 4 ch. Loran Jr., Betty a nurse at Long Beach, Calif., James, and Clifford who is in the service. The Boyers now live on a farm north of town.

WILLIAMS

HAROLD b. near Oakland, Iowa, m. Gertude Plumer, came to Silver City 1938 where he is engaged in farming one mile north of town. Mr. and Mrs. Williams are active members in the Masonic and Eastern Star Lodge and Methodist Church. They have two children, Rose Marie (who married Stanley Volkens, one dau. Diane) and Sheldon who is in the Air Force. Mr. Williams' grandfather came to Silver City on the train in 1879 and walked to where he settled near Oakland.



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JOHN H. b-4-3-1885 Oslo Norway; came to Eau Claire Wis. 1903 and the same year went to Aberdeen S. Dakota. In 1911 he went to Council Bluffs and on 10-17-1911 came to Silver City as chauffer for H. H. Huffaker. A little later the same yr. he engaged in the garage business in Silver City and remained in that business until 1945. During that time he built a new garage building in 1918 which is still in use as a garage. He owned and operated an accessory shop 1913-14 with the garage. And 1947-48 he owned and operated the city pool hall. He m. 7-26-1926 Cuma Farris. They have no ch. He is retired and living in Silver City.

W. H. BURROWS

WILLIAM HENRY b 9-15-1865 Cullompton, Devonshire, England, came to Silver City at age of 17. He operated a meat market and confectionery store for many yrs., later was a stone mason and brick layer and for many years operated a nursery business here. He was a member of the I. O. O. F. lodge for over 50 yrs. and had been Treas. of this lodge for 18 yrs. he was a member of Parish Church of England, and was city assessor for 26 yrs. He was a highly respected man, he m. 11-28-1891 Della Phifer. They had 3 ch; Frances m. W. D. Kirkham lives in Calif; Pearl m. Lee Wells, after his death she m. Mr. Stout and is living in Mosby Mo. Eugene d. young. Mr. Burrows d. 8-11-1937. and Mrs. Burrows d. 1948.

TALBOY

THOMAS b. 10-12-1872 was a registered pharmacist in practically every state. Owned and operated the drug store in Silver City for a number of yrs. Mrs. d. 6-14-1929. They had 5 ch; 2 boys d. young. LAVORA m. Cecil Badahadl dau; Monty. Mr. Bada d. She remarried and is now Mrs. Ray and lives in Creston. VOAS m. Herman Miller lives near Mineola, has 3 dau. Charlotte-Pauline and Sally. LILLIAN m. Mr. Hedstrom, has 1 ch. and lives in Boise Idaho.

KOCHENDERFER

HOWARD CLIMBER born 7-15-1864 Altoona, Pa. son of David and Mary Kochendufer; went to Nebraska with his parents and came to Silver City about 1902. He was a businessman here many years owning and operating a butcher shop, a restaurant and later a general store. He married 2-26-1888 Eliza Belknop. They had 4 children: BESSIE married Guy Parker, now lives in Missouri; CLARA married Charles Saar and lives on a farm north of Silver City, Flo married Tom Caudell and lives in Missouri. They have 1 daughter now Mrs. Max Benton; and Willard who lives in Omaha.

HON. JOHN PARKER

JOHN PARKER was b. 1837, Lincolnshire, England one of eleven ch. of George and Elizabeth (Beet) Parker. He came with his brother James to America 1857 in a sailing vessel, taking 5 weeks to make the journey. They went to Ohio to the home of a brother George, later all came to Mills Co. in 1867. Buying a few acres at a time he increased his farm to 285 acres. He m. in Ohio 9-19-1861 Mary Johnson, dau. of John and Lucy (Algar) Johnson. They had 10 ch: ELIZABETH W. m. William H. Salzers; ALICE JANE m. William Tucker and lived in Nebr. CORA A. m. Richard Tucker and lived in Nebr. EMMA L. m. J.E. Johnson; IDA J. m. G.W. Philps and lived in Nebr. HARRY GRANT m. Nellie Jackson, see his life sketch elsewhere in this book. ROSA m. D.N. Salzers; HOWARD ROY m. Maggie Crow and has 2 sons; SANFORD J. m. Ada Kenney and had 2 ch; he d. a few yrs ago. JOHN GUY m. Bessie Kochenderfer, had 2 ch. Corwyn m. and living in Calif. and Betty m. and living in Arizona. Guy was a farmer and Merchant in Silver City and Malvern and d. a few years ago. John Parker was a member of the Mills Co. Supervisors for several yrs. and was also Twp. Trustee several terms and member of the school board a number of yrs. He and his family were prominent members of the Methodist Church of Silver City where he held all of the lay offices. He was also a member of the I.O.O.F. Mr. Parker served as a member of the State Legislature for 2 terms, his services ended in Jan. 1900. He d. 4-7-1915.

HON. CHARLES G. GREENWOOD

CHARLES G. GREENWOOD was b. 5-24-1836 at Guilford, Piscataqueirs Co. Maine. He was educated in the public school of Maine and in an academy there and later at the Wis. State Univ. He went to Ill. where he taught school for several yrs. and, was m. there 1-17-1861 to Apphia Trask also a native of Maine. 1880 they came to Silver City where he engaged in lumber and grain business. In 1883 he was one of the incorporators of the Silver City State Bank and was its President for many yrs. He was also President of the Greenwood Lumber Co. until he retired from active life. Mr. Greenwood served as a member of the 32nd General Assembly of Iowa. Mr. and Mrs. Greenwood had 5 ch; GRACE m. George Hawley and had a s. and a dau. The son is living Huntington Park Calif. She d. about a yr. ago. SAREPTA m. Maurice Kehoe, Her ch. are listed in her husbands life. CORA m. G.D. Spelbring, her ch. are listed in her husbands life sketch. ADA m. Dr. Lenard Conger, she graduated from Silver City High School and Tabor College was an accomplished musician. She d. a few yrs ago. C.DAVIS, m. Elizabeth Pullman, was associated with his father in the lumber business, being manager of the Emerson la. lumber yard. They had 3 s; Charles, Horace and Rosco. All are m. and have families. Mrs. Greenwood d. a few yrs. ago. Mr. Greenwood is still in Emerson. He is a prominent Mason in Mills Co.

Mrs. C. G. Greenwood d. 1919 and He d. 4-17-1929,

HON. HENRY HARRISON HUFFAKER

HENRY HARRISON HUFFAKER was b. 1-24-1841, Bureau Co. Ill. The s. of Israel and Anna (KURTZ) Huffaker. He came to Mills Co. 1858 and came back to stay a few yrs. later. He and his father became large landowners in Mills Co. which he operated. He was an Elder in the Church Of Christ (Mormon) of the Sidney Rigdon persuasion. He m. 1872 Mary Jane Post. They were of the enterprising pioneers who helped to develop and improve the community being directly responsible for the birth of the town of Silver City. Mr. Huffaker, served as a member of the 33rd General Assembly of Iowa. Mrs. Huffaker d 2-4-1911. He m. 2-5-1915 Mae Miller, a teacher at Malvern and Silver City for many yrs. He d. 12-12-22 and Mae Huffaker d. 1952. He had no ch; but adopted and reared his neice, Alberta, dau of his sister Anarpy Hoover, She m. William Wilkins, her ch; are listed under her husbands life sketch.



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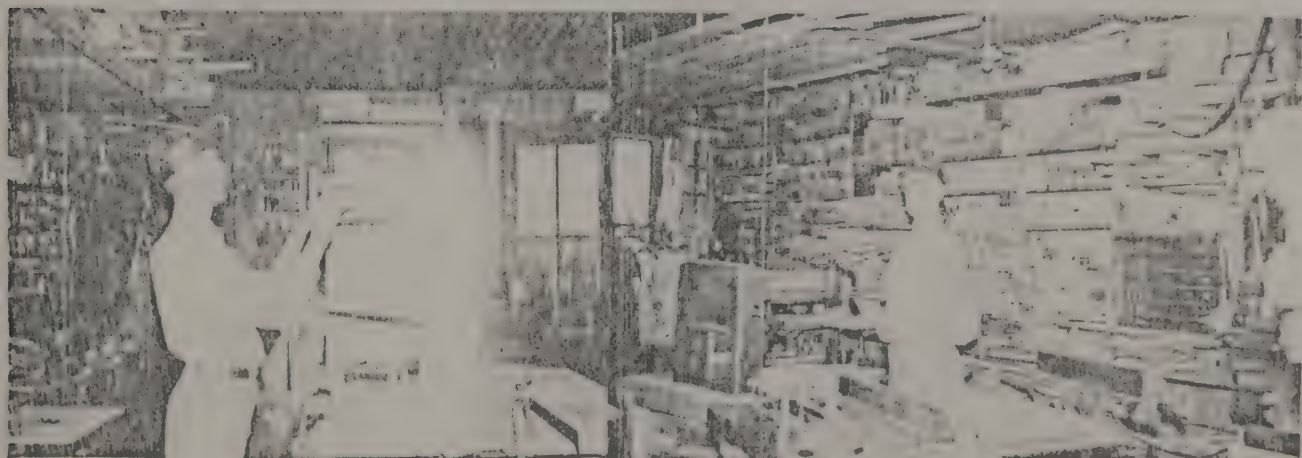
BUCH OIL COMPANY

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BELOW



OTTO BUCH

was born 3-13-1918 Malvern, Ia. He married 4-22-1943, Hazel Hazelquist. They came to Silver City 1946, where he owns and operates the Buch Oil Co. Mrs. Buch operated a Beauty Parlor for several years. They have 2 ch: Cheryl and Diane



ARTHUR W. HAVER

was born 12-16-1891 at Chabersburg Pa. He married 1916, Neva Mosely a member of a pioneer family. They have lived here for 26 years, all of which he has been a business here. He has as nice a shop as will be found in cities. He is a cabinet maker and fine interior finisher. They have 4 ch: Marie, James, Grace, and Florence. Marie, graduated from S.C.H.S., is now Mrs. Byron Schoening of Silver City and has 2 ch: Linda and James. James, graduated from S.C.H.S., served in Navy during World War II is now a linotypist for the Omaha World Herald. Grace, graduated from S.C.H.S., is Mrs. Winifred Phillips of Council Bluffs, has 2 ch: Ronald and Nacy; Florence, graduated from S.C.H.S. and is now the Teller in the Small Loans department at the City National Bank, Council Bluffs.

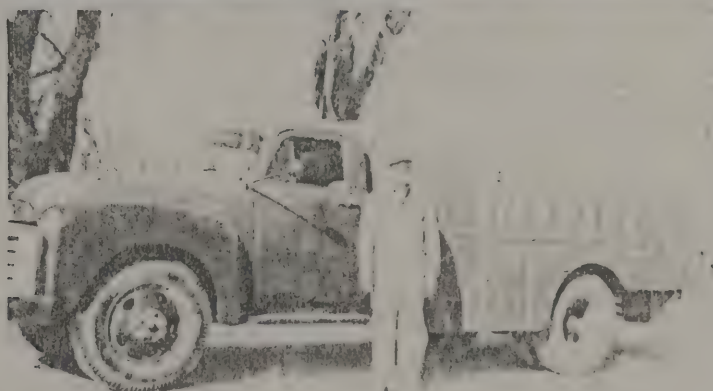


ARNOLD KEIRSCH-Blacksmith
was born Oct. 13 -
at Mineola. He married Lucille
Thieschafer 8-11-1945. They have
one son. He was in World War II
and has been in business for sev-
eral years.

WILLARD JONES
was born 5-24-1923, Silver City.
graduated from Silver City High
School 1941, served in World War
II, married, 8-20-1949. Fern Roen-
feldt, have a son, David. Owns and
operates the Garage in Silver City.



ROBERT WALLER
was born 11-12-1911 at Cropper Ky.
He married Ida Atkinson, they have
3 children Wanda Lee, Sharon and Randy.
Wanda Lee married James Lowry and
has 3 children. Mr. Waller operates the
Elevator here, has been in this busi-
ness for a number of years



KENNETH McMAHAN
Standard Oil Representative-has been
in business here for 19 years.
See Life Sketch elsewhere.



WEST SIDE MAIN STREET
LOOKING NORTH



EAST SIDE MAIN STREET
LOOKING NORTH



Bob Childs, A. Schoening & sons, F. Bichel, E. Bendt, L. Childs, V. Decker.

LUMBER YARD

R.A. Bateman established the first lumber yard, selling it to Greenwood Bros. 1880. C.G. Greenwood bought his brother out and his son, C.D. Greenwood, joined the firm 1896. They later expanded, C.D. Greenwood going to Emerson, where he managed their yard and where he still lives. G.A. Spelbring came to manage the yard here, retiring when the yard, then known as "GREENWOOD LUMBER COMPANY" was sold to H.A. Gearhart 1941. "Pat" Gearhart managed the "Gearhart Lumber Yard" until 1950. Mrs. Gearhart, took over changed the name to "JANES LUMBER YARD". She married 1951 Bernard Phillips. Mr. Phillips is now manager of the yard.





MICHAEL FLAMMENT

FLAMMANT

Michael Flammant was born 7-14-1842 at Echtermach in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg in Germany. He migrated to the United States in 1856, stopping at Chicago for 6 months. Then in 1866 he came to western Iowa settling first in Council Bluffs where he owned and operated a drug store as he was a registered pharmacist. He served as Recorder of Pottawattamie Co. 1875-76.

When the Wabash went through in 1879, Mr. Flammant came out to Mills Co. and started the town of Mineola. He erected the first building in which he operated a general store, handling drugs, implements along with general merchandise. Others followed him so that in 1880 a small town sprang up and he became the first postmaster also. At that time there were only three houses between Mineola and Council Bluffs.

Mr. Flammant had a safe in his store and became also "a banker" for the little community keeping the money and treasures of the people in his safe. When the Silver City State Bank was organized he became a heavy stockholder and director. At the time of his death, 3-3-1912, he was its Vice-President, as well as being President of the Treynor State Bank and a director of the Harle-Haas Drug Company in Council Bluffs.

Mr. Flammant was a true pioneer, a shrewd business man and a most reliable citizen. He married 11-23-1869 Pauline Schlunz in Council Bluffs. They had three children, Mrs. Charles Cheyney who lived in Glenwood. Paul and Albert.

Paul was born 12-26-1875 in Council Bluffs and was educated in the public schools as well as receiving higher education in schools in Milwaukee Wis. After his father's death he and his mother moved to Silver City where he was connected with the Silver City State Bank, being its cashier for a number of years. He married 1-11-1922 Lucille Plumer. They had one daughter, Lucille, who graduated from S.C.H.S., receiving higher education and later taught for several years. She took an active part in several of the displays held in the Burgoin Building during the Fall Festivals, showing not only her doll collection but other interesting antiques. She was very interested in 4-H work and helped to organize the first girls group here. She died in October 1946.

Mr. and Mrs. Flammant live in Silver City. She is active in the Baptist Kensington and is much interested in antiques; and, she has several very beautiful and unusual collections. He is interested in keeping their attractive home, lawn and flower gardens in the best of condition.

McCLURE

John J. born 12-18-1835 in Clarion County Ohio; came to Marion Co. Iowa, 1864 and to Mills County 1881. He was a successful farmer south of Silver City for many years and a member of the Baptist Church. He married 5-7-1861, Rebecca Miller who died a number of years before her husband's death 1-3-1921. They had 8 children: a daughter died young; Robert married Anna Schroeder and farms near Silver City many years; he also had a threshing machine for many years. They had 3 children: Carrie lives near Malvern, Nettie married Lenard Patterson and lives in Oregon and Glenn who lives in Omaha; John and Ed who lived in Colorado; Thompson married 1-25-1893 Martha Jane Schroeder. They farmed for many years. Mrs. McClure died 8-4-1937 and he died in Malvern several years later. They had 2 sons: Roy who married and lived in Malvern and had several children. He died a year or so ago; and Dale married Fae Alexander and lives near Malvern.

CIRCUS COMES TO TOWN

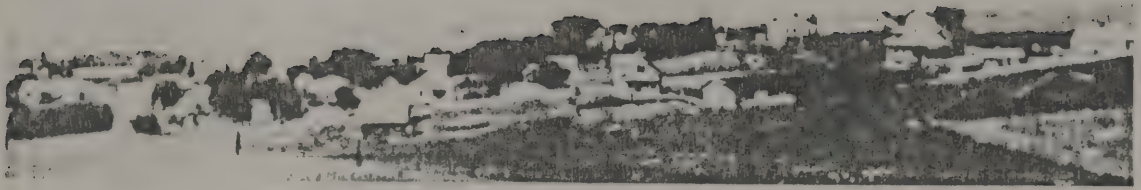




MAIN STREET MINEOLA



COULD THIS BE "A STREET CAR NAMED DESIRE?"



BIRDSEYE VIEW OF MINEOLA

SALUTE

We salute Unit 705 Mineola, Auxiliary to the American Legion. We feel a very close affinity to the members of this unit, as we once were one! Many were closely associated in active service with us, and especially during the World War II when our hearts were heavy with anxiety for husbands, sons, brothers, and friends in the service. We suffered grief with those who became Gold Star Members who have since devoted untiring efforts in service for others. Their new unit, developed after World War II has won our highest respect for their zeal in serving those seemingly forgotten people-disabled veterans, widows and orphans of service men. Keep up your good work, Mineola; may we always be warm friends.

By Margaret Lawson

HISTORY OF MINEOLA

Mineola, a town in Mills county, and Oak township on the Wabash railroad, is only about 4 miles southeast of Council Bluffs. It is beautifully situated in an agricultural region and has about 150 inhabitants, most of whom are German.

Mineola has many fine residences, is lighted by electricity, has a Lutheran Church, a good school building, a bank, post office, blacksmith shop, two implement dealers, two stores, a lumber yard, a meat market, a hotel, an opera house and everything in the business line usually found in country towns. Indeed, Mineola is an ideal place to live in. It was founded in 1880.

The land on which Mineola now stands, 8 acres, was purchased by the railroad company of Louis Lanz. This company was starting towns all along its new line and lots were laid out and sold here. The first man to purchase property was M. Flammant. The following is a list of people first to become identified with our history:

M. Flammant started a store and carried drugs and implements as well as general merchandise. He was also the postmaster. F. F. Dietchler was also identified with him in the implement business. W. T. Bradford took charge of the first school and Rev. Blasbert was pastor of the church. Geo. Brandt owned the first lumber yard and Fred Danielson the hotel. The meat market was run by Solomon Meyer. John Letal did the blacksmith work and Mr. Rice was station agent.

Mineola has had a remarkable history in respect to its businessmen. No failure has ever occurred. Now we have fourteen business places and one church and two school teachers. Our slogan: "Mineola makes good. Mineola to the front."

We had a bad fire in 1907 which destroyed about a half a block in the business center of the town. It was replaced by new and much better buildings by L. W. Bickel. (Opera house, Elite Refreshment Parlor and pool hall.)

MINEOLA TODAY

The oldest building in the place is occupied by Hartje & Peters. M. Flammant who died re-

cently, transacted business in this same place for 28 years. Here we also find the post office. Another old building, but one which has been rebuilt, is the City Hotel. The blacksmith shop and implement house of Julius Kiersch and the store of Cherny & Watson Lumber Co. have been rebuilt and are now in fine condition. Another old land mark is our Lutheran church. The corner stone was laid in 1884 and in the last few years a number of improvements have been made. Concrete steps are being made in front at present.

Another building is the Mills County German Bank. This institution is doing a good business bearing proof that Mineola people have prospered. Chas F. Nipp is the obliging cashier.

Another business concern is the large elevator of H. F. Kruse.

Many beautiful residences have been erected in the past four or five years and there is room for many more. Some of the late dwellings have cement side walks in front which is a great improvement for our little town. Two years ago F. H. Nipp added an addition to our town, purchasing ten acres which he laid out in lots and sold. In this new section we find the residences of Christ Goos, H. Borstelman and Ed Saar.

The oldest citizens living in Mineola today, three of whom are over eighty years of age, are Fred Schoening, Claus Schroder and John Buenning, and three others past seventy-five, Christ Goos, Mrs. H. Nipp and C. F. Roenfeld.

The Lutheran congregation here has a membership of about 600 with 90 voting members and 310 communicants. The silver jubilee of the church was celebrated in 1909. This congregation owns their church, parsonage, a school room connected with the church and a beautiful cemetery. The following pastors have had charge of the work here in the past: Rev. Blasberg, J. A. Handrich, W. Berndt, H. Dahlke, E. A. Kurtz and O. Sitzler.

The church officers are: Albert Schoening, Pres.; W. Bichel and W. Kahl Jr. Directors, Wm. Kahl Jr., Secretary and Treasurer. Trustees, F. Hoeck, H. Wasserman and L. W. Bichel; Janitor, K. Foenfeld; Organist, Eva Kiersch.

A young peoples society was organized in 1909 and has proven a great help to the church. We also have a well conducted Sunday School.

About the Lutheran doctrine I wish to state a few facts. Luther did not found the Lutheran church. He cleansed it from many gross abuses and false doctrines. He simply led the church back to the "everlasting gospel," Rev. 14-6.

The Lutheran church is not a foreign church because many of its people speak a foreign tongue. It was planted in this country as early as any other denomination. Our church was established with but a few members and has grown during the past years until now it may be the strongest congregation in this county.

Our schools at present consist of eight grades with two teachers, Miss Mae Bradley and Mill Pearl Zimmers. The directors are: Julius Kiersch, Julius Miller and L. W. Bichel. Herman Peters is secretary and F. G. Dietchler, treasurer. This modern school edifice was erected in 1909 by contractor Wm. Loobey. We emphatically say we have a good school house, good teachers and good school officers. We have about 50 pupils and many of the eighth grade pupils have already passed their examinations and are ready for high school. Next years we expect to have a ninth grade.

FRAUEN VEREIN

This Frauen Verein has about forty members and is a great help to the church, inasmuch as it takes care of the cemetery. All the improvements made have been made since the Frauen Verein took charge of it. They hold their regular meetings the first Thursday of each month. Their officers are: Mrs. Colmorgen, President; Mrs. Loof, Secretary; and Mrs. H. Peters, Treasurer. Several Civil War veterans are buried in the Mineola cemetery.

By Rev. Otto Sitzler

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HISTORY OF MILLS COUNTY IOWA

By Elmer Stone

One of the most important events in the history of Mills County are far from commonplace. A great religious movement, one of the most stupendous exoduses of history formed the beginning of the commonwealth of Mills County.

This county was the stage upon which appears as actors, some of the greatest characters of American history. Lewis and Clark pass and repass. Then comes the pictures of Peter A. Sarpy and his associates. Then passes the great Mormon leader Brigham Young. Later the revered Lincoln and his great rival Douglas tread the soil of the county. Then the grim figure of John Brown of Ossawatimie and his associates James Lane, cross the stage. Then came the eventful days of the Civil War, when there was fire and sword, to the South, and the tomahawk and scalping to the West, only a hands breadth removed. And then through all heartstirring time there was a great and constant stream of westward bound white covered wagons, conveying the founders of the "Nation yet to be" on the other side of the great plains.

Then came the long year of well earned peace, and prosperity, in which, the incoming thousands following the coming of the railroads, transformed the frontier prairies into prosperous farms with thriving towns growing up in all parts of the county. And all these changes, this progress and advancement came within the limits of a lifetime.

The members of the celebrated Lewis and Clark expedition were in all probability the first white men to tread the soil of Mills County. The visit of this party which added an empire to domain of the Republic, was without incident and there is no record of any clash between the red and white men, in all the dealings of the two races in this county, a very unusual record. The oblique fur traders followed the Lewis and Clark party. These men the forerunners of civilization, of French and often Indian blood, soon made their way up the highway furnished by the Wisconsin River: to traffic with the Indians but they made no settlement and left no record. Not until a score of years had passed did that picturesque Peter A. Sarpy, in 1826, establish a trading post, a short distance above the mouth of the Platte within what was then part of Mills County. This place he named St. Mary, a place which grew into a respectable town, and at one time promised to become the Metropolis of Western Iowa. But a change in the current of the erratic river obliterated the very site of the town and the river now flows miles eastward of where St. Mary's stood. A few adventurous pioneers followed Sarpy, but these members were scanty. There were no mines to attract, and no one at that time dreamed of the great wealth locked up in the soil. In fact, the whole Missouri slope had been branded by the reports of the United States Army officers, as "a barren plain and desert, utterly worthless from an agricultural point of view." And this astounding verdict was passed upon what is now the garden spot of the richest agricultural state in the Union!

Ten years later the Indians by treaty relinquished title to their lands in Iowa, and removed to the Southwest settlement. A few pioneers now made settlements in various parts of the county, but these astounded overwhelmed by the tide of Mormon emigration.

The Mormons, compelled to leave Illinois; had conceived the stupendous undertaking of emigrating in a body to some point in the then unexplored region beyond the Rocky Mountains, then beyond the boundaries of the United States; there to work out their own destiny.

In the year 1846, under the leadership of Brigham Young, they set out to the number of 50,000 souls, ill equipped and scantily provisioned, to make their way across the trackless plains, and to brave the terrors of the unknown and unexplored mountains, which it was necessary to cross in order to reach the unknown Salt Lake region beyond.

The journey across the unsettled State of Iowa, was a terrible one. The only roads were the Indian trails, destitute of bridges and were almost impassable. Sickness caused by the hardships and lack of supplies, soon became a frequent visitor, and a trail of new made graves marked the way of these people and tell of the terrors of this exodus.

By the time the advance guard reached the Missouri it was plainly evident a prolonged halt was imperative in order to make more adequate preparation for the still more arduous journey. So on reaching Mills County, the different bands into which the body of pilgrims were divided, selected suitable locations, and proceeded to build log huts to furnish shelter during a prolonged stay. One such encampment was built on the east bank of Silver Creek at a place called Cutler's Camp, half way between where Silver City and Malvern now stand. Another such camp was built on the bank of Keg Creek, where Glenwood now stands. Other camps were established in sheltered spots in the western part of the county. Other bands spread up into Pottawattimie County, founding Council Bluffs among other places.

These towns afterwards contained hundreds of people, many of them skilled workmen, who established shops, saw and grist mills and other establishments to supply the needs of the county. But as soon as the season permitted the bulk of the community set to work clearing land and planting a crop. No effort was made to cultivate the open prairie, but with much labor fields were cleared along the wooded streams. All this time want and sickness were constant companions of the community, and the death toll was heavy. At that, however, a bountiful harvest was gathered, and life became more endurable.

When the harvest was over many of the Mormons made ready and set out for Salt Lake. But many remained to plant and gather a second and even a third crop.

At this time war was raging between the United States and Mexico. One day a recruiting officer appeared among the Mormons and proceeded to enlist soldiers for service in the far West. He found a ready response and soon a battalion was recruited in the two counties of Mills and Pottawattamie. These soldiers participated in numerous battles and at the end of the war were discharged in California. It is claimed that men of the battalion were the first discoverers of gold in California.

Very few of these men ever ventured to Mills County. In the meantime the remainder of the Mormons had taken their flight, save a remnant who had finally concluded to cast their lot with the people of Mills County. The "Gentiles" as the non-Mormon settlers were called, had now begun to pour into the county, and at once began the work of permanent development. Many of the newcomers had come by the same route as the Mormons, across the state, but they had both come to the Missouri, either by boat or the following its bank by land.

These new settlers like their Mormon predecessors avoided the open prairies as a rule and made their homes in the shelter of the groves along the streams - with all the county to select from the first comers failed to get the best lands. Only gradually was the marvelous fertility of the prairie lands discovered. Of the towns that sprang up at this time in different parts of the county, only one remains.

Coonville, the Mormon town, was rechristened Glenwood, and became and still is the metropolis of the county. After a contest with St. Mary's, Glenwood has successfully withstood all efforts to wrest the prize from her.

Eastward of Glenwood a few miles was started a village of Fayette whose career was short. The buildings of the town were a few years later moved a couple of miles southeast to a place named London, where an ambitious attempt was made by a promoter to found an educational institution. The attempt was a failure, and London gradually disappeared. Some ten miles south of London and partly over the Fremont County line was a village of Tabor, founded by a colony of Ohio people of pronounced anti-slavery views and a still more pronounced disposition to act on said opinions. Over on the Nishnabotna River was the town of White Cloud, whose uneventful career ended with the coming of the railroad. A town company started the promising town of Pacific City, half way between St. Mary and Glenwood. For a time Pacific's prospects were about to become a place of importance, and for a time had newspapers, steam, flouring mills, many mercantile establishments, etc. But the expectations upon which the town was built collapsed, and everything connected with place ended in failure.

The tide of the home-seekers bound for the gold fields of the West particularly California, was now setting in full force. And much of this passed through Mills County by the routes made by their Mormon predecessors. The business of "outfitting" and supplying this multitude furnished employment for many

in the county. The nearer but still distant mining camps of Colorado and Idaho soon added an additional allurements to the fascinations of "the call of the West." The county was affected to a great degree by this emigration since many of the passing multitude weary of the hardships of the road, settled down to make their home here permanently. On the other hand disappointment at the meager returns of farming and the thirst for adventure caused others to abandon their holdings here and join the constantly passing caravan. The county's gain in wealth and population at this time was very slow.

The anti-slavery agitations had by this time become acute, on account, of the border troubles in Kansas, and being near the scene of dispute, the people of Mills County were drawn into debate. Most of the people of the county were either indifferent or hostile to the anti-slavery agitation, but the Tabor colony not only took an active part in sheltering and forwarding fugitive slaves, but they also actively assisted in forwarding to the free state men of Kansas a supply of Sharp's rifles, ammunition, and even cannon from the friends of freedom in the New England states. John Brown and Jim. Lane of Kansas were frequent and welcome visitors, as well as many others of the Militant abolitionists of that day. The guiding of these remaining slaves to an asylum in the North was the frequent occupation of the men at Tabor. While by no means friendly to the "Underground Railroad," none of the settlers of the county ever dared to try to intercept John Brown. But one time when a covered wagon was making its way slowly across the county a passerby, a pro-slavery man, chanced to get a glimpse of the wooly head of a negro. He quickly guessed there was a "nigger in the wood pile" and hurriedly gathered a posse of his neighbors and overhauled the fugitive as they reached the "Mud Creek" neighborhood. The two Tabor men in charge of the wagon were put under arrest, and the slaves were headed toward Missouri, from whence they came. It is told that the captors spent the time as they journeyed southward, discussing what they would do with the reward they were sure to get from the grateful slave owners. But it was not to be.

An anti-slavery man had chanced to see the capture of the negro, and he at once rode post haste to carry to Tabor the news of the misfortune of their companions. The Tabor men wasted not time in debate, but set off to the rescue. About nightfall they overtook the captors of the slaves, near the Missouri line, and by the display of superior force compelled them to surrender the Africans. The lesson was effective, and the underground railroad carried its passengers through Mills County for the future. Several of the pro-slavery persons afterwards enlisted and gave valuable service in saving the Union and abolishing slavery.

These episodes were the prelude to the Civil War, that now burst upon the county. Again as in the Mexican struggle the county responded to the call to arms. Company after company was recruited from the sparsely settled land of Mills County.

"What heroes from the woodland sprang,
When through the fresh awakened land
The thrilling notes of freedom rang."

All over the South land graves of her adopted sons bear mute testimony to their patriotic devotion to the Union. Being so near the scene of conflict, the danger of a hostile incursion was not remote. Every able bodied man was enrolled in the "home guard" and armed and drilled to resist probable invasion. Not only was war raging near at hand to the South, but near by to the West was another hostile frontier. The chain of posts established by the government to protect the routes across the plains and overawe the Indians, had been stripped of troops by the necessities of the war in the South. And the Indians had seized the opportunity to go on the warpath. For a time they were complete masters of the plains. Only strongly guarded caravans could safely venture the western trail, and only a narrow fringe of white settlement on the west bank of the Missouri formed the sole barrier between the people of Mills County and the merciless savages. And the dread of an Indian raid was added to the horrors of the times. Accounts of bloody encounters and Indian massacres were frequent as were the reports of the battles in the war to the South. Many of the Mills County men participated in the struggle to subdue the savages and reopen the trade routes to the West. Upon which so much of the prosperity of the county

depended.

With the close of the Civil War all this passed away like a bad dream and the county entered upon a new epoch, quite reverse from all that had preceeded. With peace came the advent of the long expected railroads and a change in all phases of existence in the county. Within eighteen months after the close of the war the St. Joseph and Council Bluffs railroad was built; it ran through the western part of the county, the era of the steamboats on the Missouri there by ending. Two years later the C. B. R. R. was completed across the state to the Missouri, crossing the county from east to west. Twelve years later the Wabash R. R. was built across the county, from the Southeast to the Northwest to Council Bluffs. These trunk lines together with some branch lines completed the county's railroad system. Towns sprang up in all parts of the county along these lines of communication, and they soon developed into prosperous business centers. The building of the roads through Nebraska and the settlement of that once desert plain also profoundly modified business conditions of the country.

It is said, "Happy are those years that have no history." So can be said of the many peaceful years that followed the end of the Civil War. The coming of the railroads brought in a flood of home seekers, who in a marvelously short time changed the bare plains and prairies of the county into prosperous farms and the unlovely frontier villages into prosperous towns. The frontier cabin gave place to the comfortable farm house, and these in time to the pretentious mansion. Land constantly increased in value as the rewards of farming industry constantly increased in value as the rewards of farming industry constantly increased. So passed a score and a half of prosperous if uneventful years, in which the county constantly gained in wealth, culture and population. Schools and churches multiplied on every hand, and the high standard of culture and intelligence was constantly maintained.

Again, in the year 1898, alarm of war was sounded, and again as in 1848 and in 1861, the county promptly responded in defense of the flag. Company C of Glenwood was within a few hours after the declaration of war on the road to the rendezvous. This company was forwarded to the Pacific coast and at length was dispatched across the Pacific Ocean. It reached the Philippine Islands after the conclusion of peace with Spain, but before the outbreak of the insurrection in the Islands. The company participated in numerous battles, rendering effective service at every opportunity. The company was discharged with honor late in 1899. Other companies were organized in the county for service in this war. But their services were not needed. Other citizens of the county served in other commands of the Army and Navy with credit.

The history of the county for the decade that has followed the close of the Spanish War has been a highly prosperous one. The brightest dreams of the men who laid the foundation of the commonwealth in their homes of peril and hardship never equaled the sober reality of the present.

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MAY 1910

EARLY HISTORY OF INGRAHAM TOWNSHIP

By The Hon. Henry Harrison Huffaker

The year 1845 found the country contained within the limits of Ingraham Township entirely unoccupied. The Indians, the former possessors had been removed, and the white man had not entered into his heritage. The next year brought in a flood of colonists. The Mormons, fifty thousand strong, driven from Navoo, had just set out, ill equipped and scantily provided, to make their way over unknown trails to the then unexplored shores of the Great Salt Lake. The journey across southern Iowa, then entirely unsettled, and devoid of roads and bridges, was so full of hardships and left such a trail of newly filled graves, as to appall even this band of enthusiasts. On reaching the banks of the Missouri, it was judged advisable to halt here for a year or so, and make more adequate preparation for the stupendous journey yet before them. One company made a settlement on the east bank of Silver Creek, at a place known as the Rock Ford Crossing, some three to four miles south of where Silver City now stands. Most of this party gathered into a town, named Culter, after their leader. The town of log cabins, extended for a mile up and down the creek; contained besides the dwellings a meeting house, stores, carpenter and blacksmith shops, etc. The company built a mill on the banks of Prairie Creek a mile southeast of Silver City. A "sash saw" driven by the water of Prairie Creek furnished some lumber for the need of the colonists. But the most urgent need of the settlers was food, and all set to work to clear patches of land and plant the seed. Shunning the prairie land as sterile, the settlers with much labor made their plantations in the belt of timber that lined the east side of Silver Creek. Part of this was within the limits of Ingraham, and this was the first settlement. A good crop rewarded the labors of the settlers, and lifted them from the condition of semi-starvation that had been their lot for so long. Remaining to harvest a second crop; the Mormons again resumed their journey. At the end of three or four years all save a few moved on, and these few had decided to remain here and make their homes in Iowa. By this time the advance guard of "Gentile" homeseekers had begun to arrive. These purchased the claims and improvements of the departing Mormons. The log cabins of the defunct town of Citler served for homes for most of the newcomers for years. Instead of gathering into a village like their predecessors the last arrivals spread out over the unoccupied lands. But they too generally shunned the open prairie in selecting their homes, shelter and an abundance of fuel, and accessibility to water being considered all important. So it was that those who had the first choice of all the land, usually made the poorest selection from an agricultural point of view. Ingraham Township, consisting so largely of prairie land, as a consequence attracted but few settlers and those located along the valley of Silver Creek. The result was that the township developed very slowly, much more so than other parts of the county where soil was much poorer. Less than a score of families scattered along the creek constituted the sole population of the township after two decades had elapsed. The prospect for the future was not bright; although it was known that the prairie lands were very fertile, the problem of fencing was yet to be solved, and building material of any sort was scarce and high in price. The lack of any railroad, or other adequate means of transportation, made the reward of the farmer for his labor very scanty. Council Bluffs was the chief trading point and thither resorted the settlers to exchange his products for the supplies he was compelled to have, and as might be supposed, the prices he was forced to accept were quite low. Live stock found their way to market "on the hoof" those days. For years a long trail of bones marked the spot where one unlucky man had attempted to drive a large herd of hogs to "The Bluffs" on a hot summer's day.

Two or three school houses meagerly supplied the educational wants of the township and furnished a gathering place for religious services and political meetings.

The constant passing of the great caravans of "Prairie Schooners" conveying the westward bound emigrants, furnished the chief sensation of the settlement, causing many a settler, discouraged with slow gains and unpromising outlook, to sell his possessions and to join the never ending procession. The outbreak of the Civil War caused others who wished to avoid being entangled in the strife to seek new homes across the plains of Nebraska, and the mountains of Colorado.

This was the condition of the township by the year 1863, when eighteen men constituted the voting population. But with the close of the war and resumption of the building of railroads across the state a new era began.

With the certainty that not only one but numerous railroads would soon traverse southwest Iowa, settlers poured in, lands hitherto of little value became in demand, and improvements were inaugurated in every direction. No longer confining themselves to the valley of Silver Creek, the settlers spread over every part of the township. And soon every tillable land was reduced to cultivation. Good houses and farm buildings were erected in every direction, and the whole surface of the country was transformed. A large number of emigrants from Germany and England set an example for well kept farms and good husbandry. Less than a decade has witnessed this community covering the whole township. But although more than one railroad was near the township none had been built within her borders. For years it was anticipated that sooner or later a railroad would be constructed up the valley of Silver Creek in the general direction of Council Bluffs. But not until the year 1879 was work actually begun on the road that was to influence the township so vitally. H. H. Huffaker secured from the Wabash, St. Louis and Pacific Railway Company the location of a station on his farm.

The town of Silver City, Iowa began its existence the spring of 1879. A. W. Crosby, W. G. Moore, and Nathan Brookerhouser were the first merchants beginning business the spring of 1879. The post office was established in 1880 with A. U. Crosby as postmaster.

Silver City State Bank was organized in 1883 with C. G. Greenwood as president and W. B. Oaks as cashier. L. W. Huffaker has been Justice of Peace of Ingraham Township continually for thirty-two years.

The first church built in the town was of Baptist denomination in 1880 with Rev. Coffee as pastor. The M. C. Church was built in 1885 with Rev. O'Fling as pastor.

Silver City has had three disastrous fires. The first occurred in 1882 sweeping everything on the east North Main Street except Hintz Hotel and L. W. Russel & Company general merchandise. The second in 1891 when the whole of east North Main Street was consumed. The third in 1892 when west Main Street was all burned down except two brick buildings. At the present time substantial brick buildings fill the places of those destroyed.

Silver City has twenty-one business houses, including one newspaper, two churches, a five room brick school building with a faculty of five. Twelve grades are taught.

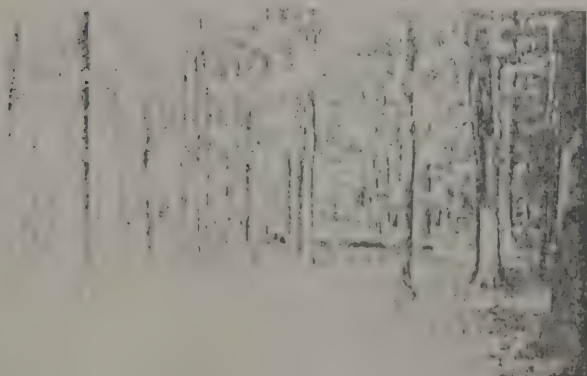
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The early settlers of the township who are now residents of the town of Silver City are: L. W. Huffaker, H. H. Huffaker, M. E. Huffaker, W. B. Oaks, C. G. Greenwood, R. A. Moore, T. Margett, J. S. Coburn, J. J. Taylor, Lew Hettinger, W. G. Moore, A. P. Reeve, S. G. Sidener, K. P. Mass, F. R. Pettit, George Bosworth, W. Mains, and C. A. Rommel.

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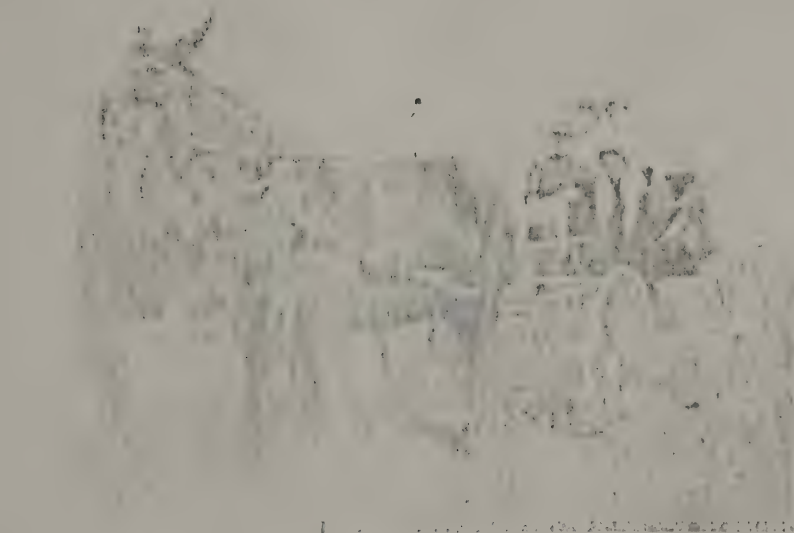
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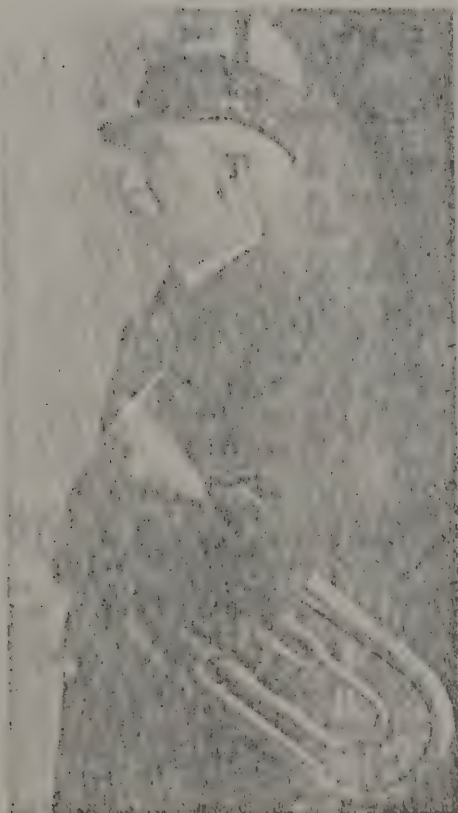
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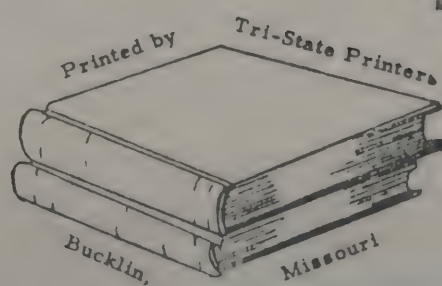
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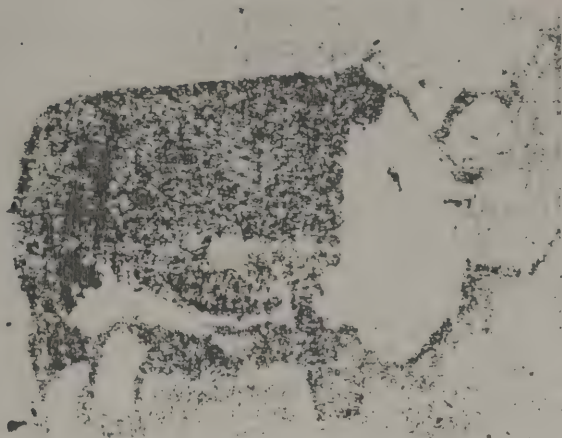
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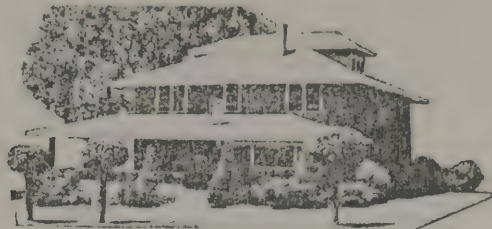
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